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The case of the detective, the bouncer and a plastic bag

Moment of conflict: Mr Goddard is held on the ground as yellow wrappers are pulled out of his pocket

The Chapeltown area of Leeds has a troubled history of relations between the police and the black community. Only last week shops were looted during disturbances. ***Jamie Dettmer*** *reports on an incident that raises questions about sensitive policing*

THE first arrest in a raid on a public house in the Leeds area of Chapeltown last November was dramatic. It made the front page of the *Yorkshire Evening Post* and the operation led to a total of 12 arrests.

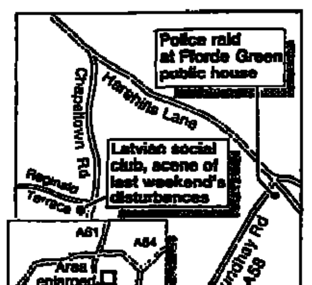
But the story behind the picture of the arrest of Rudi Goddard, the bouncer at the Fforde Green public house, and a champion bodybuilder, raises interesting questions about the behaviour of a few policemen in troubled Chapeltown, a district where police-black relations are always tense.

As more than 100 policemen converged on the public house, Mr Goddard, who was standing outside, was seen to be grabbed by a detective. A struggle ensued and he was brought to the ground by three or four officers. A detective, whose face has been omitted for legal reasons in the picture (left), thrust a hand into the bouncer's pocket and pulled out a small plastic bag containing three yellow wrappers. The photographers had their picture. Mr Goddard was charged with possession of drugs but according to the Crown Prosecution Service it is not continuing with proceedings against him.

He has complained to local councillors that the packet was planted on him and that officers, later discovering he was regarded on the local pub scene as a good security man, realised they had made a mistake. A few days after his arrest, Mr Goddard tape-recorded a conversation he had with two officers who visited his home. One interpretation of his recording would seem to support his claim that the packet was planted on him. Another interpretation is that the officers were trying to encourage him to become an informant.

"I was taken to Holbeck police station, into this place under the station which looked like a garage space," he said. "It looked like they were expecting a lot of people. I was strip searched then and there. It was humiliating. They were looking down my underpants in front of everyone."

A couple of hours later one of the detectives who arrested him came and took him to a toilet near by, away from other prisoners for a private conversation, Mr Goddard alleges. "He said he realised I was doing my job in the pub and that he did what he did because I was creating a fuss." The officer told Mr Goddard that he wanted him to sign a statement saying he had confiscated the packet from someone in the public house minutes before the police raid.



"I thought there was no way out. I either signed or ended up in court," Mr Goddard said.

After signing the statement Mr Goddard, aged 31, was released on police bail. A few days later the detective arrived with another officer at Mr Goddard's house with a letter saying he did not have to appear at the police station in accordance with his bail.

Mr Goddard taped the conversation at his home with the two officers. In the recorded discussion he keeps on repeating to the officers that the arrest has put him in trouble with the pub's landlord. The officers, who are keen to persuade Mr Goddard to act as an informant, continually repeat that they can straighten things out by having a word with the landlord and brewery. "We will remedy it," they say.

"But I'm getting locked up with a packet held over my head. That's what they all see," says Mr Goddard.

Officer A, who did not make the arrest, says: "We'll see the landlord. We'll put him straight that you are completely in the clear as far as we are concerned."

Mr Goddard replies: "But remember he would like to know right how I got this particular packet."

Officer A: "He will know in no uncertain terms that you were kicking people out and confiscating stuff from them."

Mr Goddard: "But the thing is he knows that I don't confiscate anything. He (the detective who arrested Goddard) made up that thing because he's thinking that I have not got drugs."

One of the arresting detectives: "He (the landlord) couldn't see what it was. We'll tell him you didn't have any drugs on you."

The officers again press Mr Goddard to act as an informant. "Do you want to turn this into a four-bedroomed detached house? An H-registered Range Rover?"

Last night, a police spokesman said: "It is the policy of West Yorkshire police not to confirm the name of anyone who has been arrested in the past when action is not taken against them. If anyone wishes to make a complaint against West Yorkshire police they should do so."

Neil Taggart, a Labour councillor and a member of the West Yorkshire police authority, said: "If this allegation is true, then it is indeed a grave matter. I will be seeking an explanation from the deputy chief constable, who is in charge of disciplinary matters."

Job worries cut spending on cars and houses

By Graham Searjeant, Financial Editor

GRAVE doubts were cast on the Chancellor's forecast of impending economic recovery yesterday by a clutch of grim reports showing low consumer confidence and higher bankruptcies.

Consumer spending, house prices and car sales are all falling as people worried about losing their jobs save rather than spend any extra cash they have as a result of the interest rate cuts since last autumn.

The gloom was compounded by Lord Alexander of Weedon, the National Westminster chairman, who said that Britain had suffered "*one of the sharpest declines* in UK economic activity of any recession since 1945". He added that there was hardly any sign that there would be a recovery before the end of the year.

The bank reported first-half profits down from £431 million to £101 million, largely because of bad debts from small businesses that have collapsed. National Westminster has set aside £900 million to cover bad and doubtful debts and Lord Alexander said that business failures were likely to continue at a high rate for the rest of the year.

The number of British companies liquidated during the first half of the year soared by 72 per cent to 11,112, according to figures from the accountants KPMG Peat Marwick. The increase was greatest in Wales and the Midlands, where the number of companies wound up more than doubled.

Tim Hayward, KPMG's head of corporate recovery, predicted that liquidations would continue at similar levels for the next six to nine months. The recession had "dug so deep that any upturn will be almost imperceptible and very gradual," he said. Mr Hayward blamed the rise in the Midlands directly on the troubles of the motor industry, whose July car sales dropped by 21 per cent compared with last year in spite of big discounts being offered to customers.

Price cuts offered by Ford, Vauxhall and Fiat stemmed the rate of decline from the 31 per cent drop recorded in June, but the luxury market suffered one of its worst months ever. Some Jaguar dealers failed to sell a single car, as the company found customers for only 64 saloons and sports cars in July. Mercedes and BMW have also suffered and top-range sales have fallen by 46 per cent this year.

The dent in consumer confidence was also reflected in the housing market, with the Halifax building society reporting an 0.9 per cent fall in house prices in July — the first drop since February. The Halifax, which had predicted that prices would rise by 5 per cent by the end of the year, revised its forecast to less than 3 per cent, saying: "The housing market is showing few signs of recovery. Activity remains at low levels, despite the recent falls in interest rates, as the impact of rising unemployment continues to undermine confidence."

Fear of unemployment was cited as the main reason for the continuing fall in consumer spending disclosed in another study, by Business Strategies in association with Gallup. The survey of 6,000 people in England, Wales and Scotland between April and June found confidence falling in all regions and that 73 per cent of those questioned were worried about losing their jobs.

Even in the most optimistic regions — the North and the North-West — families appeared more likely to save money than to spend it. "There is still a long way to go before consumer spending is going to get going again," Bridget Rosewell of Business Strategies said. "The results suggest further cuts in interest rates could occur without there being a consumer boom."

Yesterday's statistics brought an immediate call for cheaper loan rates from Labour, whose trade spokeswoman Joyce Quin said: "The government's prediction of a recovery in the second half of this year, which is already upon us, look less and less convincing each passing day."

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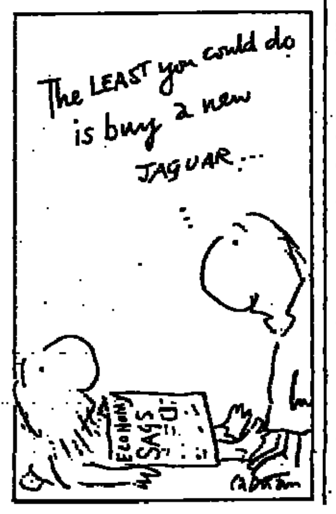

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BARRY GREENWOOD

Poet's problem: Einir Jones balances a crown designed for a male head after her installation as bard at the Royal National Eisteddfod of Wales in Mold yesterday. Only the third woman to win the title this century, she was crowned by the archdruid William George, right, nephew of David Lloyd George. Report, page 2; Diary, page 12

Captors offer hope on hostages

By Ali Jaber and James Bone

HOSTAGE-takers in Lebanon said yesterday they would send an envoy to meet the United Nations secretary-general, Javier Pérez de Cuéllar, within 48 hours on ways to resolve the ordeal of 12 Western hostages still held captive. A senior Lebanese Muslim fundamentalist linked to the kidnappers said the envoy could even be one of the American hostages such as Terry Anderson or Thomas Sutherland, both held since 1985.

Señor Pérez de Cuéllar has acted as a secret go-between for Iran since at least 1987, according to a UN source. Yesterday he said he had yet to receive any word about the imminent arrival of an envoy from Islamic Jihad, the group which made the announcement. But he expressed "cautious optimism".

The Islamic Jihad statement was sent to the Beirut offices of an international news agency. It was authenticated by an accompanying

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Moscow warns the West

By our Foreign Staff

THE Soviet Union warned the West yesterday against military involvement in Yugoslavia, saying that it would lead to a conflict embracing all Europe.

A government statement carried by Tass said a thin line separated friendly assistance and unacceptable interference in the affairs of another nation. "To enter — whether unwillingly or because of egoistic temptations — on one side in the conflict would mean to come into conflict automatically with others, inside and outside Yugoslavia."

The statement did not direct the warning at any specific nation or group.

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Hattersley offers succour to Baker

By Quentin Cowdry and Robin Oakley

KENNETH Baker, the home secretary, yesterday received unexpected comfort when Roy Hattersley, his opposite number, said he did not think the minister should resign over the highly critical Brixton prison escape report.

Last night Mr Hattersley said: "At no time have I asked for the home secretary's resignation. All I asked was that he should take responsibility for his actions and not place them elsewhere."

On Monday when Mr Baker said he had considered resignation, Mr Hattersley responded by saying, "he ought to accept the final responsibility". Some took that as implying that Mr Baker should have resigned.

The home secretary came under attack yesterday from prison governors who accused him of making scapegoats of two middle-ranking Home Office officials to save his political skin after the escape of the two IRA suspects, Pearse McAuley and Nessan Quinlivan, from Brixton jail.

With the furore over the breakout showing little signs of abating, the Prison Governors' Association claimed Mr Baker was attempting to cloak the "critical mistakes" he made over the affair. The group, along with the Prison Officers' Association and many opposition MPs, think the breakout would not have occurred had Mr Baker taken more seriously criticisms made last summer in a secret memorandum on security at the south London jail.

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Tojo's heir scores a hit down memory lane

From Joanna Pitman in Tokyo

Tojo the younger dreams of topping the pop charts

FIFTY years after Pearl Harbor, Hidekatsu Tojo believes that it is safe to venture onto Tokyo's concert platforms and pursue his dream of becoming a pop star.

It is an unusual ambition for a man aged 53 who describes himself as "really a perfectly ordinary salaryman". But when his first hit song is a war requiem and it turns out that he is the eldest grandson of Hideki Tojo, Japan's wartime prime minister, hanged for his war crimes in 1948, the switch in direction of Mr Tojo's career in car insurance and a gift shop is seen to be somewhat out of the ordinary. "At last the time has come for me to start singing professionally about the war," he said at his recent debut concert in Tokyo. Since the death in January 1989 of the Emperor Hirohito, more and more Japanese have begun to face up to their wartime history.

On the forty-sixth anniversary of the atomic bombing of Hiroshima yesterday, the city's mayor, Takashi Hiraoka, apologised for the first time for Japan's military exploits in Asia and recalled the Pearl Harbor attack. His words reversed the theme of all previous anniversary speeches in which emphasis had been placed on the idea of Japan as the victim of the war.

All his life Mr Tojo has shrunk from his identity as the grandson of the man who has been labelled "Japan's Hitler". He said: "I have loved singing since I was a small boy and have been studying for more than 30 years. But I held back because of the 'Tojo allergy'." He added: "Attitudes to the war are changing now."

Mr Tojo believes that his songs will help young Japanese to confront their nation's wartime history, the realities of which have been obscured by the selective writing in history textbooks.

Tojo the prime minister, hanged for war crimes

Governors blame Baker for failing to act on Tumim report

Baker: target of prison governors' criticism

Kenneth Baker's decision to resist calls to quit after the Brixton break-out has angered prison governors, who are accusing him of finding scapegoats, writes **Quentin Cowdry**

PRISON governors yesterday accused Kenneth Baker, the home secretary, of creating a "smokescreen" to disguise his alleged responsibility for the escape of two IRA suspects from Brixton jail.

The Prison Governors' Association said the escape would almost certainly not have happened had the minister insisted on the full implementation of a series of secret recommendations made in August last year about security loopholes at Brixton.

The association also disclosed that on Monday, Mr Baker had telephoned Harry Brett, the governors'general secretary, to say that he would be pleased to know that the official report into the Brixton break-out only openly criticised one governor — Reg Withers, who was in charge of the south London jail at the time of the escape. "He also talked about Mr Withers receiving kindly treatment," Mr Brett said.

Chris Scott, the association's vice-chairman, said that Mr Baker had "created the impression" during a series of interviews that Mr Withers and Brian Bubbear, a prison department executive, had been disciplined because of the criticisms made by Judge Stephen Tumim's report into the escape on July 7.

Mr Scott said: "We're extremely angry that Mr Baker has made fall-guys of Mr Withers and one middle-ranking civil servant, when he himself should shoulder a large part of the blame for the escape."

In a confidential note to the Home Office last summer, Judge Tumim, chief inspector of prisons, said Brixton was too insecure to hold the most escape-prone inmates such as people charged or convicted of IRA activities. Judge Tumim urged that such inmates be transferred, as quickly as possible, to Belmarsh, the new London jail. The department only acted on some of his proposals.

The association believes that Mr Baker must take ultimate responsibility for not insisting on a more urgent package of security improvements at Brixton. "If there was not a failure of policy, there was certainly a failure to see that policy was speedily implemented," Mr Scott added.

Mr Withers has gone on leave prior to retiring in October and Mr Bubbear, head of the prison department's security and emergency planning section, has been moved to another department. The Home Office said yesterday that neither had been disciplined in a "precise sense". A spokeswoman said: "In the light of the escape report, it was decided to move these two people, but questions of disciplinary action have yet to be decided."

Prison officers at Brixton said that x-ray machines installed in the jail this week to check baggage and parcels going into the prison were lying idle because of staff shortages. They also said that no attempt had been made to fix an anti-climbing device to the section of jail wall over which Nessan Quinlivan and Pearse McAuley had clambered.

The prison authorities were warned by police in February that the IRA suspects, being held on remand after allegedly being seen armed near the home of the former Whitbread chairman, Sir Charles Tidbury, planned to break-out. The tip-off, made known to Mr Withers, but not to the headquarters unit dealing with top-security inmates, made clear that the men intended to use a firearm and wanted to escape after attending Sunday chapel.

The Home Office said the x-ray machines could not be used until the Health and Safety Executive had checked the devices. "Hopefully, it will not be long before they are operating," a spokeswoman said.

● A woman auxiliary worker foiled an escape attempt by three inmates at Ashwell jail, near Oakham, Leicestershire, yesterday. The men tried to grab the keys of the woman and a colleague but the woman threw both sets out of reach. The inmates then seized a contractor, snatched his keys and tried to escape in his van, but got stuck.

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Tumim: foresaw the risk of a jail-break

British Rail may cut train service again, says watchdog

By MICHAEL DYNES, TRANSPORT CORRESPONDENT

BRITISH Rail faces the prospect of a 6 per cent cut in passenger services to make up for a £400 million shortfall in the current financial year. The disclosure came as Network SouthEast announced it was to withdraw 63 trains a day from September.

Network SouthEast might also introduce a further 6 per cent reduction on commuter routes when winter timetables were introduced in October, Major General Lennox Napier, the chairman of the Central Transport Consultative Committee, the government-appointed rail watchdog, said yesterday.

Unveiling the committee's report on British Rail's annual performance, General Napier said InterCity and Regional Railways would need additional government funds to help offset declining revenue from fares and property sales caused by the recession.

His warning was branded as "alarmist" by British Rail, which insisted that most of the reductions in passenger services had already been announced. General Napier's statement was based on the assumption that without additional funding, the £400 million shortfall could be compensated for only by a further reduction in services.

The dispute over the depth of British Rail's difficulties coincided with a Network SouthEast's surprise announcement that an additional 63 trains out of 1635 a day are to be withdrawn, affecting services to Blackfriars, Victoria, Cannon Street and Charing Cross. The cuts are part of an effort to eliminate an anticipated deficit of £83 million.

Successive reductions in its government subsidy had a serious adverse impact on the quality and level of passenger services, General Napier said. "The moment has come when British Rail must take a stand for the sake of its passengers," he said.

General Napier conceded that while Sir Bob Reid, the British Rail chairman, would be told to "push off" if he asked the government for more cash.

The committee's annual report provided evidence of a 54 per cent increase in passenger complaints during 1990-91, which represents the highest year-on-year increase and the highest volume of complaints recorded.

The report said there was little evidence of an improvement in punctuality on Network SouthEast, while cancellation rates were double the target of one per cent. Regional Railways almost reached its punctuality targets, but a high-lvel of cancellations continued. Only one InterCity route, the Gatwick Express, exceeded its punctuality target but none of its sub-sectors came "within striking distance".

Network SouthEast continues to receive complaints about overcrowding, particularly on Kent Link surburban lines into London Bridge, Cannon Street and Charing Cross.

The committee said it was pleased British Rail had kept the annual fare increase down to 9.5 per cent, although a detailed analysis of 485 journeys showed an average increase of 10.8 per cent, with Network SouthEast below and Regional Railways above average. Some regional fares had gone up 25 per cent, it added.

General Napier forecast that without a substantial increase in funds, Britain would "bump along with an adequate rail service", while counterparts such as France invested three times as much as Britain in its rail network.

John Prescott, Labour's transport spokesman, said the committee's report demonstrated that "far too many rail services are cancelled, late, overcrowded, unreliable and inefficient". He called for a fundamental review of British Rail's finances, to reverse declining subsidies and service quality.

TRAIN TIMEKEEPING

NETWORK SOUTHEAST

Morning peak. Target 88 per cent of arrivals within five minutes; achievement 87.5%.

Sub-sector	%
Great Northern	93.5
Thames Line	91.7
Thameslink	89.4
South London lines	88.1
Solent and Wessex	88.0
Great Eastern	87.1
Northampton Line	86.4
Kent Coast	86.4
Sussex Coast	85.5
West Anglia	84.9
South Western Lines	84.8
London Tilbury/Southend	84.2
North London lines	82.1
Chiltern Line	80.9

INTERCITY

Target 90 per cent of arrivals within 10 min; achievement 84.2%.

Gatwick Express	97.6
Midland Mainline	88.8
Great Western Mainline	87.9
Anglia	83.2
East Coast Mainline	79.2
West Coast Mainline	78.4
Cross Country	77.2

REGIONAL RAILWAYS

Target 90 per cent within 10 min; achievement 89.6%.

Sub-sector	%
Cumbria	94.8
North Wales	94.8
West and Central Wales	94.5
Cotswolds	91.7
Western Express	91.4
ScotRail Southwest	90.9
S Yorks/Lincs/Hmbrside	89.0
Mid Wales	87.3
ScotRail Express	86.7
Highland	84.5
Trans Pennine	83.9
Midland Express	82.9

Figures do not include trains cancelled during severe weather or for terrorist threats and hoaxes

Duke of Kent sad at cuts in army

THE Duke of Kent expressed his sadness yesterday at the axing of famous army regiments when he stood in for the Queen at the Sovereign's Parade at Sandhurst.

The duke, Colonel-in-Chief of the Devonshire and Dorsets, which survives the amalgamations, said that 210 officers receiving their commissions faced an uncertain future after the government announced a cut of 57,000 soldiers.

The Royal Military Academy is also likely to be affected. The duke told the 570 students on parade: "Many of you will be joining units with an uncertain future. Some of these will be about to amalgamate, others possibly disappear altogether."

He said change had always been a feature of the army. "The challenge you face as officers is to manage that change and to help ensure that it is for the good. It is sad to see the demise of so many famous and distinguished regiments but with your determination and imagination it will be possible to fashion new regiments with all the splendid traditions and values of their predecessors.

JULIAN HERBERT

Chin up: Major Patrick Gascoigne riding into the Sandhurst military academy after the parade yesterday

NHS gets central stores to cut costs

A new health authority has been set up to centralise the supply of food and medical equipment in the NHS with the aim of saving millions of pounds a year (Jill Sherman writes).

The authority will handle supplies for all NHS hospitals although trusts will be able to choose whether or not to use the service.

The move follows a critical National Audit Office report which showed that some authorities spent 15 per cent more on hospital supplies than others.

From October, the NHS supplies authority will operate through six to eight regional divisions and will exploit the health service's purchasing muscle to obtain cheap bulk order deals.

Announcing the new system yesterday, William Waldegrave, the health secretary, said that the NHS spent more on goods and services than Marks and Spencer and needed to be as efficient.

The money saved from the current £4 billion supplies bill would go directly on improving services to patients, he said.

Lottery win is disputed

A High Court hearing begins in Dublin today over an £Ir1 million lottery prize claimed by an Ulster housewife. Theresa Magee, of Newry, Co Down, arrived at National Lotto in Dublin yesterday to collect her prize, but was told payment was frozen because of a dispute over the ticket's ownership. It is believed the action is being taken by a friend of Mrs Magee.

Two other tickets won prizes of more than £Ir1 million. The owner of one, bought in Dublin, has not been identified; the other was shared by a syndicate of 11.

Supermarkets deny 'price war' launch

By LIN JENKINS

SUPERMARKET chains yesterday dismissed speculation of a price war and described Tesco's month-long own-label promotion as nothing more than a marketing ploy.

They claim the shock wave on the stock market which wiped £300 million from the values of the four biggest food retailers as the City expressed its nervousness about a price battle was the result of the general lack of activity on a quiet day in August.

Sainsbury, the largest supermarket chain, Asda, and the Argyll Group, which owns the Safeway chain, yesterday confirmed that they were not going to respond to Tesco's largest ever discounting of own-label products.

Trevor Greenwood, head of public relations at Asda, summed up the situation by pointing out that Tesco was ending the promotion at the close of the month. "It is a one-off promotion and no doubt their prices will be restored at the end of it. It is not in anyone's interest to start a price war, although in a very competitive market we all play to our own strengths and make different offers."

Asda also launched its "back to school" promotion this week, centred on children's food, clothes and accessories.

Tesco claims that the discounts on 500 of its own-brand products are to encourage more customers to buy them in preference to other labels. It is the timing of the offer, against their usual promotion in September, which attracted the attention. Sir Ian MacLaurin, Tesco chairman, denied it had launched a price war. "We have not changed our promotional policy in five years. Why everyone thinks there's a price war is beyond me."

Sainsbury, which opened 20 of its 303 supermarkets last year and plans to increase its sales area by 8 per cent a year, maintains that many of the Tesco discount prices can be beaten elsewhere.

The Argyll group said that Tesco had merely followed its lead. In March it offered an own-label guarantee on all its own-brand products by offering to refund the consumer and replace the product if it did not come up to standard.

Mother's poem is eisteddfod winner

By JOY JONES

A MOTHER of three was crowned bard at the Royal National Eisteddfod of Wales, in Mold, yesterday amid the colour and pageantry the Welsh reserve for their poets.

Einir Jones, a teacher and Baptist minister's wife from Ammanford, Dyfed, is only the third woman this century to win the Eisteddfod crown. Inspired by Snowdonia, Mrs Jones, born in Anglesey, wrote of what she describes as the brief beauty of life. "I am always writing about the things around me, so the subject set for the crown poem — beams — was ideal," she said.

The judges were impressed by the way Mrs Jones wrote about the quality of light and life, and the total effects of nature on mankind. She and her husband, John, frequently write songs and verse together.

The crown last went to a woman in 1983, when Eluned Phillips, the 1967 bard, won. The first woman to win was Dilys Cadwallader in 1953.

Two fire bombs were found at Bangor, Gwynedd, yesterday, less than 24 hours after the Welsh priest and poet R.S. Thomas, speaking at an Eisteddfod public meeting, urged those engaging in violence against English targets not to be timid. Army bomb disposal experts dealt with the devices, at a Conservative club and an army careers office.

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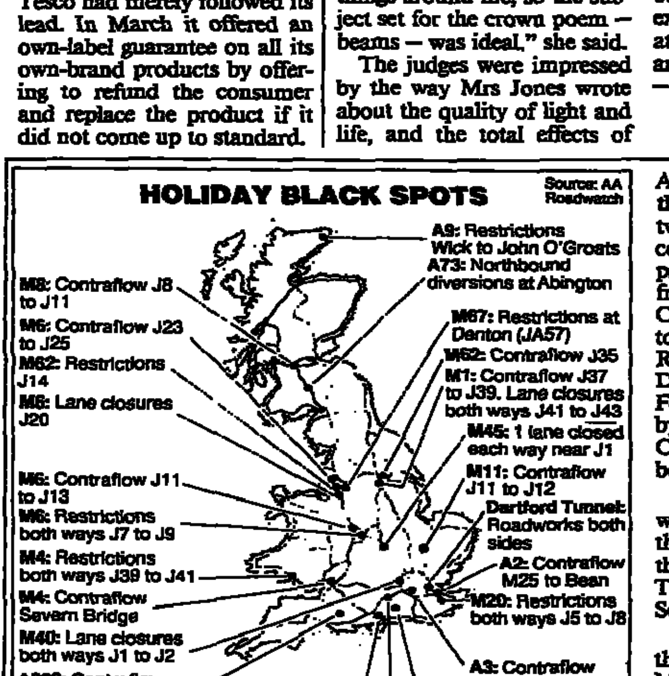
HOLIDAY BLACK SPOTS

Source: AA Roadwatch


A9: Restrictions Wick to John O'Groats
A73: Northbound diversions at Abington
M8: Contraflow J8 to J11
M6: Contraflow J23 to J25
M67: Restrictions at Denton (JA57)
M62: Contraflow J35
M62: Restrictions J14
M1: Contraflow J37 to J39. Lane closures both ways J41 to J43
M6: Lane closures J20
M45: 1 lane closed each way near J1
M11: Contraflow J11 to J12
M6: Contraflow J11 to J13
Dartford Tunnel: Roadworks both sides
M6: Restrictions both ways J7 to J9
M4: Restrictions both ways J39 to J41
A2: Contraflow M25 to Bean
M4: Contraflow Severn Bridge
M20: Restrictions both ways J5 to J8
M40: Lane closures both ways J1 to J2
A3: Contraflow Esher bypass
A303: Contraflow between Wincanton and Mere
M27: Restrictions both ways J5 to J7
M3: Restrictions at times J4 to J5
A3: Contraflow south of Petersfield

A NEW contraflow system on the M27 in Hampshire between junction five and seven could cause delays for drivers, particularly those heading from the M3 or from the West Country towards Portsmouth to catch Channel ferries, AA Roadwatch said yesterday. Drivers heading for Dover or Folkestone could be affected by work on the M20 between Coldharbour and Hollingbourne, especially at night.

There are delays on the M40 where it joins the M25, and on the M4 in West Glamorgan there are delays near Port Talbot and approaching the Severn Bridge.

On the M1 in Yorkshire there are delays around the M62 interchange and near Wakefield and Barnsley. On the M6 there are roadworks near Haydock.

£16.5m overpaid in dole money

By RICHARD FORD
POLITICAL CORRESPONDENT

MILLIONS have been overpaid in unemployment benefit in spite of assurances given to MPs that the key causes leading to errors in the payment of dole money were being sorted out.

An estimated £16.5 million was overpaid to unemployed claimants during 1989 with the level of underpayments at £6.6 million, according to a report published yesterday by the National Audit Office.

The substantial level of overpayment and underpayment of unemployment benefit has led the comptroller and auditor general to qualify the accounts of the National Insurance Fund for the third year in a row.

A sample examination of the award of unemployment benefit carried out at 24 offices found a "significant level of error", John Bourn, the comptroller said. The study found that the overall level of error was equivalent to 6 per cent of recorded unemployment benefit expenditure of £733 million.

The report said that estimate consisted of overpayments of £17.9 million and underpayments of £26.1 million but after taking into account adjustments between unemployment benefit and income support payments, Mr Bourn said actual overpayment was £16.5 million.

He blamed overpayment on people being given benefit for short periods when they were not unemployed and payments to people who were thought to be unavailable for work.

The report said underpayment was the result mainly of official error in the analysis of claimants' national insurance contribution records or in working out whether claimants were entitled to dependency benefit.

Since April last year the employment service has become a semi-autonomous agency under the government's Next Steps initiative. One of its targets is to ensure that incorrect payments are less than 5 per cent of the value of unemployment benefit paid out.

Boys expelled

After an ultimatum issued last month by David Hunt, the Welsh secretary, the governors of Bishop of Llandaff high school, Cardiff, decided yesterday to expel two boys who sexually assaulted a girl pupil at the school last January. The governors' refusal to expel the boys earlier, despite pleas by parents and a strike by 20 teachers, had led to tension at the school and the intervention of Mr Hunt.

Peking visit

Margaret Thatcher is likely to visit China next month in the footsteps of John Major, who is due in Peking on September 1. Mrs Thatcher is expected there on September 13 at the invitation of a foreign affairs group, although her office insisted last night that she has yet to confirm the trip. Mrs Thatcher is due in Japan on September 1 for a 10-day lecture tour.

Hodgson's win

Julian Hodgson, the London grandmaster, continued his impressive run yesterday in the British chess championship in Eastbourne. In round eight he scored his seventh win of the championship, this time in 33 moves playing black against international master Andrew Martin. Hodgson now leads with the immense score of 7½ points from eight games. The championship finishes on Friday.

Labour choice

Labour has completed its selection of all of the party's 38 general election candidates in Wales with the choice of Sharon Mainwaring for Caernarfon, held by Plaid Cymru. A Welsh speaker from the Swansea Valley, she is an assistant director of the housing charity Shelter (Cymru).

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Stallholders have a bargain in any language

By JOE JOSEPH

MANY market traders in London might be pushed to distinguish between the German for "You'll pay double in the West End" and a hole in the ground.

But do not be surprised if next time you see a Spanish tourist in Petticoat Lane market dithering over a £19.99 pink satin basque, the stallholder looks her in the eye, and explains: "Todas las principales modelos en Roma, Paris, Milan y Wigan estan usando esto." He is only telling her: "All the top models in Rome, Paris, Milan and Wigan are wearing this."

Be impressed if he barks, "Roma, Pari, Mirano, Wigan no toppumoderuwa minna kitemasu" to a passing Japanese. Be sceptical if he then adds: "Anatano saizuwa dokokani aruhazudesuyo", or, "I'm sure I've got your size somewhere."

The recession must be biting hard if London's street traders are ready to rehearse their favourite lines in Spanish, French and Japanese to win custom from foreign visitors to their clothes, crockery and food stalls.

The idea was dreamed up by Stephen Greenhalgh, whose company runs the Smugglers Way Sunday Market in Wandsworth, southwest London, which started six weeks ago. He drew up a list of common market traders' expressions and had them translated by a language school into French, German, Italian, Spanish, Japanese, Turkish and Polish.

"The idea grew," Mr Greenhalgh says, "partly because we have a lot of traders who are not English. Some are Turkish, some Indian, one is Iranian. It helps them sell to the locals. The other thing was, I saw a Japanese man staring at one of the stallholders selling meat in bulk, looking bewildered. I thought if the trader could throw out a few words of Japanese it might help him sell a bit more and add a little colour to the market."

It is questionable whether the Japanese really understand what the stallholders are talking about, as they rarely have a clue what Westerners are saying to them because many Japanese learn their English from Tokyo tee-shirts with slogans such as 'Hi baby. Mother Earth is crazy living. Drink pitcher.'

But the Japanese language is such a complicated mix of Chinese, native Japanese and English loan words that almost anything the stallholder says will mean something in Japanese, even if it is not what he intended.

London stallholders might do best, however, to seek out the Parisians and stick to the French they already know: "Votre husband va aller grand bananas sur these."

Youngsters were so hopelessly equipped they could all have died, says leader of rescue party

Fifteen children saved in 'shambles' of mountain trek

By KERRY GILL

THE organisers of a children's expedition that went missing in the Scottish Highlands on Sunday night, were criticised yesterday for allowing 13 girls and two boys, to venture into dangerous country, poorly equipped, some wearing only shorts and trainers.

After the children, led by a girl aged 18, were rescued near Loch Ericht in the Grampians early yesterday, a member of the Cairngorm mountain rescue team said: "We were lucky we didn't find 15 dead kids."

Chris Barley, who led the rescue party, said: "They were so hopelessly equipped for an expedition of this sort they could have died." The trek was a shambles and the organisers "didn't even know where the kids were".

The 15 children were part of a 130-strong group that set up camp at Calvine, Tayside, on July 27, for a two-week holiday organised by the Children and Adventure Health Camp Trust, of Scunthorpe. Barry Bishop, in charge of the camp, said the children's route had been altered by a staff member who did not tell anyone of the change.

The girls were supervised by trust employee Rachel Brown, aged 18. They were supposed to have gone for a hike near Loch Con, a tiny loch four miles from the camp. Instead, they went up the east side of desolate Loch Ericht, much deeper into the mountains.

The group had planned to stay in bothies on Sunday and Monday night, but Miss Brown and the children became lost and spent Sunday night in the open. They had sleeping bags but no tents. By Monday, one girl was suffering from exposure. She was left with a friend on the south-east side of Loch Ericht, the most difficult side of the loch. The rest of the party dumped their gear and struggled north. *It was the worst direction as it* tookthem further into the mountains. Then Miss Brown sprained an ankle.

As they picked their way along the side of the loch, they were spotted by two fishermen, John Kerr and his father, Jim. They took Miss Brown and two distressed girls to a hotel and raised the alarm. A helicopter from RAF Lossiemouth was scrambled. The rest of the party stayed behind with orders not to move.

Mr Barley, who led the rescuers, said: "The fishermen were able to give us an accurate map reference for the girls and we went directly there, but all we found was the gear. They had moved on. It was 1.45am before we found them. The helicopter had to use its searchlight. We then looked for the other two who had been left on the south end of the loch, but they had also moved on."

A rescuer's dog eventually found the two girls. They had taken shelter in a Land Rover and had fallen asleep. Everyone was then flown out by helicopter and given breakfast at the Loch Ericht Hotel at Dalwhinnie.

A mountain rescue spokeswoman said: "They were hopelessly ill-equipped. It was ridiculous to send out such a large group of children with an 18-year-old in charge. It is wild country. They were in way over their heads. The rescue team was out all night and was aghast."

Mr Barley said Miss Brown should not be blamed. "There was no way she should have been put in that position. The organisers have to take responsibility for this," he said.

Mr Bishop said the near-tragedy was the first of its kind he had experienced in 34 years of organising children's expeditions. "What was planned was easily within the children's capabilities, and they were sufficiently equipped," he said. "It was the alteration to the route that was at fault. Everyone was none the worse for wear after a hot shower."

It emerged that Debbie Smart, a trust employee, changed the route but did not tell Mr Bishop. "I was so angry that she left before I had the chance to dismiss her," Mr Bishop said.

Miss Brown said she became worried when they failed to find the first bothy and the terrain became difficult. "I was in agony (because of her sprained ankle)," she said. She also walked 30 miles with one boot. She gave the other to Catherine Stead, aged 13, who had lost a shoe and was struggling to keep up.

Miss Brown eventually decided to leave Catherine with a friend. "We gave her equipment to keep warm," she said. "I took some glucose, water and chocolate, but that was soon used up. I believed the best way to keep them alive was to keep going."

MIKE WILKINSON

Safe and sound: Euphemia Marks (sitting second from the left) back in camp yesterday with her friends after their two-day ordeal in the Highlands. "I thought if we fell asleep we might never wake up", she said. The children's route was changed but no one was informed

Euphemia Marks, aged 12, of Walsall, said she was too frightened to sleep in case she died. The group ignored orders to stay put when Miss Brown left with the fishermen to get help. "We were very cold and hungry," she said. "We decided to keep going. We were frightened to stay there in the dark. I thought if we fell asleep we might never wake up," she said.

Tracy Morrison, of Essex, said: "I am really glad it is all over. It was a terrible experience. The best bit was the helicopter ride."

Later, fisherman John Kerr said he had seen some of the children at about 10am on Monday. It was not until he saw them again some ten hours later that he realised something was wrong. Mr Kerr and his father decided to check the whereabouts of the children as they were in an area rarely visited by hill walkers.

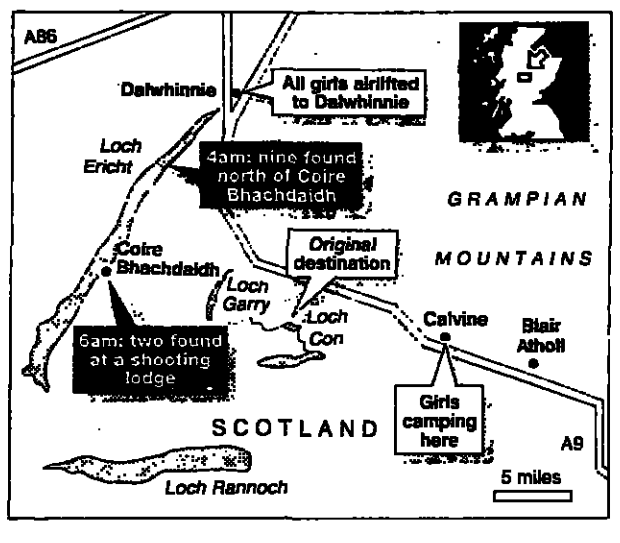
They found the children, some wearing only shorts and thin tops. "Their faces were red and swollen from midgy bites," Mr Kerr said. "They were upset, frightened and shattered. All they wanted was food."

The children were sitting on a cliff edge with a drop of 30 feet into deep water. They had been heading for a chasm area from which they could not have reached safety easily. Mr Kerr said they would have had to return and climb over a ridge of 700 feet.

"We got them on our boat and they just collapsed." Mr Kerr said. He and his father gave the children what was left of their food.

Mr Kerr said the alarm might not have been raised until last night if he and his father had not seen the children. "There could have been a terrible tragedy. If they had had to spend another night on the lochside, I hate to think what might have happened. Squalls can occur within 20 minutes of bright sunshine."

It is 20 years since five of a group of six children died in the Cairngorms when they were caught in bad weather. Two supervisors, aged 20 and 19, also perished.



Real ale campaign opens new front

By ROBIN YOUNG

THE Campaign for Real Ale will today name its pub of the year. It will have been chosen, though, not so much for the rare, endangered brews it offers, as for its cordial welcome and friendly atmosphere.

The campaign for real ale has, in effect, been won, and Camra estimates that at least three-quarters of Britain's pubs now regularly serve cask-conditioned ale, which once seemed to face extinction.

It is the hated keg beers that are now hard to find. If you want Watney's once ubiquitous Red Barrel, later unsuccessfully relaunched as Watney's Red, you have to seek it in France or Spain. Tavern Keg has been demoted from taverns to sports clubs and such, where demand is too occasional for cask-conditioned beers to be properly kept, and while JC and Worthington E cling to low-barrelage sales in some die-hard pubs of the old school, all the talk in the snug these days is of cask ales and their comparative qualities.

In the beer market overall, however, lager finally overhauled ale and stout in 1989 to turn the tables on our island tradition and establish itself as Britain's favourite type of beer. Britain, the home of ale, is now the second biggest lager market in Europe, its appetite for lager second only to that of the Germans.

The market research group Mintel, which has just completed its annual survey of the beer market, found that lager increased its volume sales in Britain by 30 per cent to over 20 million bulk barrels between 1985 and 1990. Yet ale still predominates in pubs and in the draught beer sector generally, which represented 72 per cent of beer sales last year.

Lager's strength is in the rapidly growing packaged sector, and particularly among the tightly squeezed margins of low-priced cans in supermarkets and off-licences. The UK's biggest selling lager brand is Carling Black Label, owned by Bass. Despite the proliferation of apparently foreign lagers in Britain, most are brewed here under licence. Only 8 per cent of the beer we drink is imported.

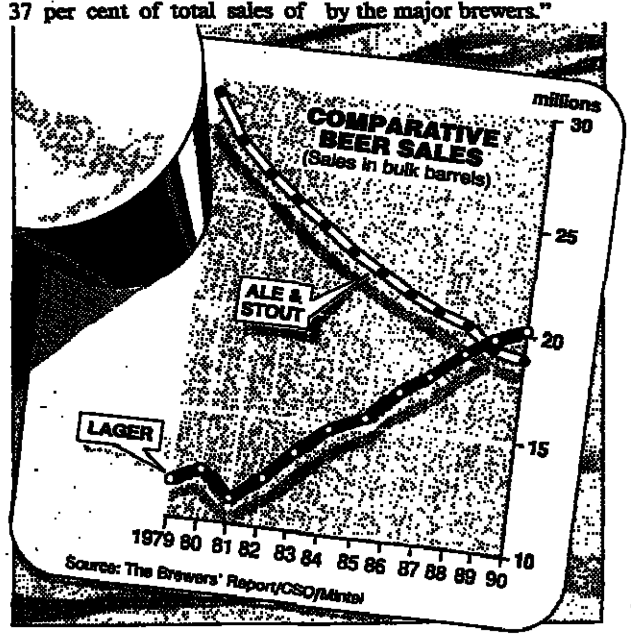
Cask ale, Mintel reports, now accounts for more than 37 per cent of total sales of draught ales and stout, and its share is increasing.

Ale is a more fragmented and regionalised market than lager, but whereas at the start of the century, the United Kingdom had almost 6,500 breweries, Mintel believes there are now fewer than 240.

The number of brewery companies has shrunk from nearly 1,500 at the beginning of the century to barely more than 60, and just six account for four-fifths of all beer sold.

The government's "guest beer" regulation has benefited cask-conditioned ales such as Draught Bass, Theakston's Best, and Tetley Bitter, the last of which, brewed by Allied, is *Britain's best selling draught* ale. Yet while some regional brewers, such as Greene King, have been ambitious about guest appearances, the biggest brewers have also used their resources to promote their own cask ales.

Ian Loe, Camra's research manager, said: "Our campaign is entering a new phase, in which we hope to educate consumers to look for good quality in their real ale and not to be satisfied with some of the bland stuff being pushed out by the major brewers."



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A sea of ersatz tat washes over pubs

By BILL FROST

ONE measure of sterilised spit and sawdust, a dusty stuffed animal or two, shelves of worthy but unopened tomes, a liberal shot of yellowing antiquity, and there you have it: Designer Dinginess, the face of all too many British pubs.

The themed public house is just one of the desperate remedies adopted by the big brewers, worried at the increasing number of customers turning to wine bars and restaurants.

Camra, the beer drinkers' pressure group, is appalled by the growth of themed pubs, whether they sell real ale or not. The Georgian Society, the Victorian Society and the Society for the Preservation of Ancient Buildings are not too pleased, either.

Stephen Cox of Camra said: "The big brewers move in the design teams, and tart the place up with all sorts of ersatz tat. It is vulgar and vile." Dr Steven Parissien of the Georgian Society said: "The unique social heritage of the pub is being submerged in the fake, the misguided and the second-rate interpretation of the past."

The big brewers say that it is worth trying any ploy to lure the drinker out of the wine bar and back to the pub before closing time is called for good. A recent survey indicated that as many as 5,000 pubs could close over the next decade.

Many of those under threat *in inner-city areas have failed* to adapt to changes in customer expectation. They have stuck with real spit and sawdust and added noisy gaming machines. Country pubs are at risk, too. Joe Fox, landlord of the King's Arms in Bradford-on-Avon, Wiltshire, put a sign in his window last month reading: "Vacancies for customers — no experience required." Like many licensees with premises off the beaten track, he was caught by the breathalyser and the recession.

There is, however, a happy medium. According to Mr Cox, that is old-style values with a touch of authenticity. "Keep the pub very much as it is, offer a good range of beers, a good menu, and encourage families," he said. Small brewers have led the way. The London-based Firkin chain of pubs met all Camra's criteria by keeping the themers out.

Kidnapped victim tells of ordeal

By RICHARD DUCE

A TRAVEL shop manager *subjected to a five-hour* kidnapping ordeal told yesterday how he believed that the gang which abducted him at gunpoint from his home would shoot him in the head after he was left tied to a fence.

The men posed as police when they called at the home of Richard Broady, aged 33, in Ash, Kent, at midnight on Sunday. Two of the three-man gang took him to the branch of Thomas Cook that he manages in Newhaven, East Sussex, where he was forced to empty the safe of currency and travellers cheques worth £50,000.

At Kent police headquarters in Maidstone, after a day being interviewed by detectives, Mr Broady spoke of his "sheer terror" and his belief that his girl friend was also being held hostage. "I arrived home from work and two men approached the car who said they were police officers. When I challenged them and asked for a warrant card I had a hand gun pressed up to the side of my head."

Using Mr Broady's red Peugeot car the men drove to a car park where one got out and the third member of the gang got in. "They said my girl friend had company and she would be hurt and to follow exactly what they said," he said. "I didn't think I would come out of it alive. I don't know if I want to go back to work again or go back to my house. I am still very scared.

"When they left me tied up I thought I was going to get a bullet in the back of my head. I managed to free myself and call the police. When I spoke to my girl friend the next day from Caterham police station I just burst into tears."

Police have still to find Mr Broady's Peugeot 309, registration number H631 FEG.

Brother wins sacking fight

By DAVID YOUNG

AN industrial tribunal ruled yesterday that a sales director was unfairly dismissed from his £26,000-a-year position by his sister.

The tribunal will decide on November 1 how much compensation Bryn Aldridge will receive from Seescan Imaging, an award-winning hi-tech company run by his sister Jane, aged 30, and her live-in lover, Dr Philip Gaffney, the firm's managing director.

Mr Aldridge, aged 26, first knew officially that he had been made redundant when he received a hand-delivered letter from his sister informing him of the decision.

The tribunal was told that Miss Aldridge and Dr Gaffney, of Cambridge, believed that eight redundancies were necessary to save their firm from bankruptcy. Mr Aldridge said that the firm was in a strong financial position and did not need to get rid of people. Last year the firm won a Department of Trade small business award for research and technology.

At the tribunal in Bury St Edmunds, Suffolk, Miss Aldridge described her younger brother's sales figures as pitiful.

Mr Aldridge, who now works in Newark, Nottinghamshire, said that he and his sales team had turned over a record £800,000 for the Cambridge firm last year, but on the day that he and Robert Altham, aged 31, a fellow director, were made redundant Dr Gaffney, aged 35, told them that the business was only a day away from bankruptcy.

Mr Aldridge said that Dr Gaffney had told him that his antagonistic attitude had cost him his job. Miss Aldridge, cross-examing her brother in the tribunal, said: "You were regularly late in providing sales information and it was often incomplete. You were regularly chased about sales meetings."

The panel decided that Mr Aldridge and Mr Altham had been unfairly dismissed because of a complete lack of consultation before they were sacked.

After the hearing Mr Aldridge said: "I am obviously relieved, but this has really split my family."

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Dartmoor hardmen run up a little underwear

By ALAN HAMILTON

OH YES, it used to be a man's life in the chokey, what with all that macho mailbag sewing. Big rough canvas sacks, straight up and down the seams, none of your pretty Laura Ashley fabrics or fancy *petit point*. But the day of the mailbag may soon be done, and Her Majesty's unwilling seamsters are being obliged to turn their sewing machines to other items.

The hard men of Dartmoor, in Devon, it has been disclosed, are producing underwear. Not alluring basques and bras with lacy frills and furbelows, but basic boxer shorts, for fellow inmates. They also do a nice line in chefs' hats, and those little red things that flutter from the wingtips of parked aircraft.

Yesterday the Royal Mail put another stitch in the shroud of the traditional mailbag when it announced that mail would be moved around sorting offices, not in mailbags but in purpose-built plastic trays resembling small milk crates. The switch is intended to improve efficiency, reduce damage to letters in transit, and be kinder to postmen's back muscles. In time, the milk crate may replace the mailbag altogether.

Mailbag sewing by those who would rather be doing something else is already a dying art, as a result of the Royal Mail's gradual switch from canvas to plastic sacks mass-produced by commercial manufacturers. Of the six million bags required by the Post Office every year, the prison service is contracted to supply only 500,000 this year, compared with 1.3 million the previous year.

When the annual mailbag contract goes out to tender at the end of this year the prison service is expected to put in its usual bid. But as with any commercial enterprise faced with overcapacity, a declining market and a workforce it cannot declare redundant, HM Prisons are diversifying.

Most of the Porridge range is for internal consumption: prison shirts and trousers, and boiler suits. As well as the chefs' toques to the RAF, they sell aprons and boiler suits to the army, textile straps for wrapping up parcels to the Stationery Office, and workshirts to British Nuclear Fuels. The output of the 10,000 inmates in workshops is not restricted to men's outfitting; one of their most successful lines, hand-crafted by genuine burglars, is neighbourhood watch street signs and window stickers.

"We offer a professional service, and top quality goods are produced", a Dartmoor spokesman said yesterday. The range remains restricted and the buyers from Marks & Spencer, are not exactly banging on the door asking them to run up samples.

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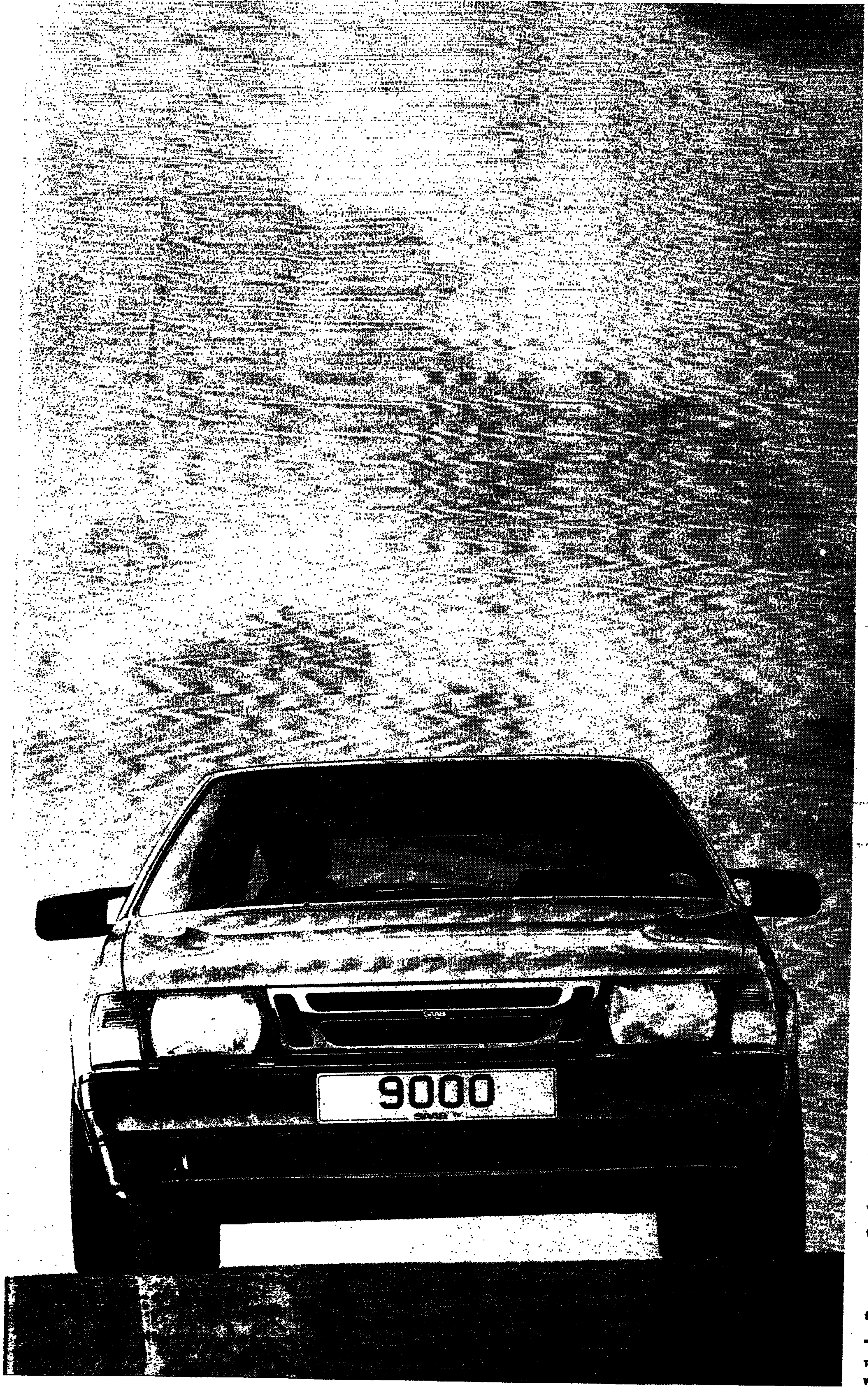

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Aids campaign has failed to make impact, survey says

By Thomson Prentice, medical correspondent

MANY young people regard the risk of HIV infection as a distant threat, and their knowledge of other sexually transmitted diseases is abysmal, according to a survey published yesterday.

The results, together with those today from a study of behaviour among homosexual men, suggest that the government's Aids education campaigns of recent years have not had a lasting impact.

The survey, of more than 4,000 people aged 16 to 24, showed that 89 per cent felt they had no chance, or only a slight chance, of catching HIV within the next two years.

That was in spite of a finding that condoms were least likely to be used by those with most sexual partners, while many of those interviewed supported the view that "casual sex can be good fun sometimes". The survey was conducted by Nicholas Ford, a lecturer in the Institute of Population Studies at Exeter university, in collaboration with the South West Regional Health Authority, Bristol, and a group of district health authorities in the West Country.

The survey says that risks of infection from sexually transmitted diseases (STDs) are most likely among the minority who have multiple sexual partners, take part in casual sex, and do not use condoms.

"Even among the majority of young people who are in steady relationships and have had only one sexual partner in the last year, there is a low level of condom use," Dr Ford said yesterday. "There is considerable potential in the patterns of sexual lifestyles for STDs including HIV infection. This highlights the need for continuing, flexible and vigorous HIV-related education in the southwest of England."

The report says that while levels of knowledge about HIV and Aids were "fairly reasonable" among those surveyed, there was "abysmal" ignorance about other STDs, such as genital herpes and gonorrhoea.

Half of the 16-year-olds in the survey were sexually experienced, and four out of ten had first had sexual intercourse before the age of 16.

In another study, published today in the *Health Education Journal*, researchers at Oxford university and the St Mary's and Middlesex hospitals, London, say that homosexual men are more likely to have unprotected anal sex when they are in a regular, established relationship, than during casual sexual encounters.

The researchers, who interviewed 369 homosexual men from different areas of England, say that an exclusive relationship is no guarantee against HIV infection, because both partners are likely to have had previous partners. They add that there is increasing evidence of a resurgence of gonorrhoea and HIV infection in homosexual men, and they call for more health education for all homosexuals.

Virginia Bottomley, health minister, said she was concerned by the survey results. "There is a greater awareness of HIV and Aids but the key point is that this is something that can touch every family in the country."

Mrs Bottomley, in an interview on *The World At One* on BBC Radio 4, said that the government had to "keep re-educating, re-informing, whether at school, in the community or in the family".

Bottomley: "Need to keep re-educating at school"

Cell transplants offer hope to child diabetics

By Our Medical Correspondent

THE first transplants of insulin-producing cells for diabetic children could be performed within the next two years, doctors said yesterday. If successful, the operations would spare the children the need for daily injections of the hormone that their bodies are unable to produce.

The prospect has been offered by surgeons at Leicester Royal Infirmary, who carried out the first such procedure in Britain, on a woman aged 40, last weekend. She has had diabetes for 26 years, but may no longer need daily insulin injections.

Peter Bell, professor of surgery at the hospital, said that it would become clear during the next two weeks whether the transplanted cells, which were injected into the woman's liver, were producing essential amounts of insulin.

Professor Bell said that the hospital intended to carry out ten more of the procedures on adults, who, with the unidentified woman, have all undergone a kidney transplant as a result of diabetes-related renal failure. If those cases went well, children and young diabetics with normal kidneys would be considered for similar treatment, he said.

The treatment involves taking hundreds of thousands of insulin cells, which are normally created by the pancreas, from donated cadaver organs, and injecting them into the recipient's liver, where they should produce the hormone.

The operation could transform the lives of insulin-dependent diabetics, sparing them the daily routine that specialists call "the tyranny of the needle". It would also make kidney grafts unnecessary, at least in some cases, and would protect against other complications of diabetes, including blindness.

Professor Bell said that a patient in Canada was still producing insulin 19 months after a transplant. The technique has been used successfully in America and Italy. The Leicester surgeons believe that cells for transplantation can be modified so that they are not rejected as foreign tissue. Recipients would then not need to be treated for the rest of their lives with immunosuppressive drugs.

A problem with the treatment is that because the pancreases of at least two donors are needed to obtain sufficient insulin-producing cells for one patient, demand could easily outstrip supply.

In an attempt to overcome that, the Leicester specialists are refining methods of freezing and storing the cells until enough have been gathered.

The woman patient at the hospital was said to be doing very well last night, after her operation last Friday.

Court sees first use of new genetic test

A NEW forensic technique that extends the use of DNA genetic fingerprinting was used in evidence for the first time in an English court yesterday.

Susan Woodroffe, a forensic scientist, said that the new technique, developed in the United States, could multiply tiny traces of tissue or fluid, meaning that scientists could work with a much smaller sample. The new test, which analyses the human leucocyte antigen part of DNA, produces a DNA group to which the person belongs, similar to blood grouping.

Miss Woodroffe, from the Aldermaston science laboratory in Berkshire, was giving evidence in a trial at Birmingham crown court.

Joseph Ragusa, aged 26, of Coventry, has pleaded not guilty to two charges of indecently assaulting a nurse aged 28, one charge of robbery and one of false imprisonment.

Colman Treacy, QC, for the prosecution, said that a swab containing human semen had been collected following the attack on the nurse, but that it was found to be insufficient for traditional DNA testing techniques.

Miss Woodroffe told the court the samples on the swab had been multiplied using the new and "very, very sensitive" technique. In her opinion the results supported the contention that they originated from Mr Ragusa.

She said that although the technique was new to Britain, it had been validated extensively. There was a "trace result" on the swab which she thought was the result of contamination by someone else. She said that the technique was so sensitive that the samples could be affected by sneezing or dandruff.

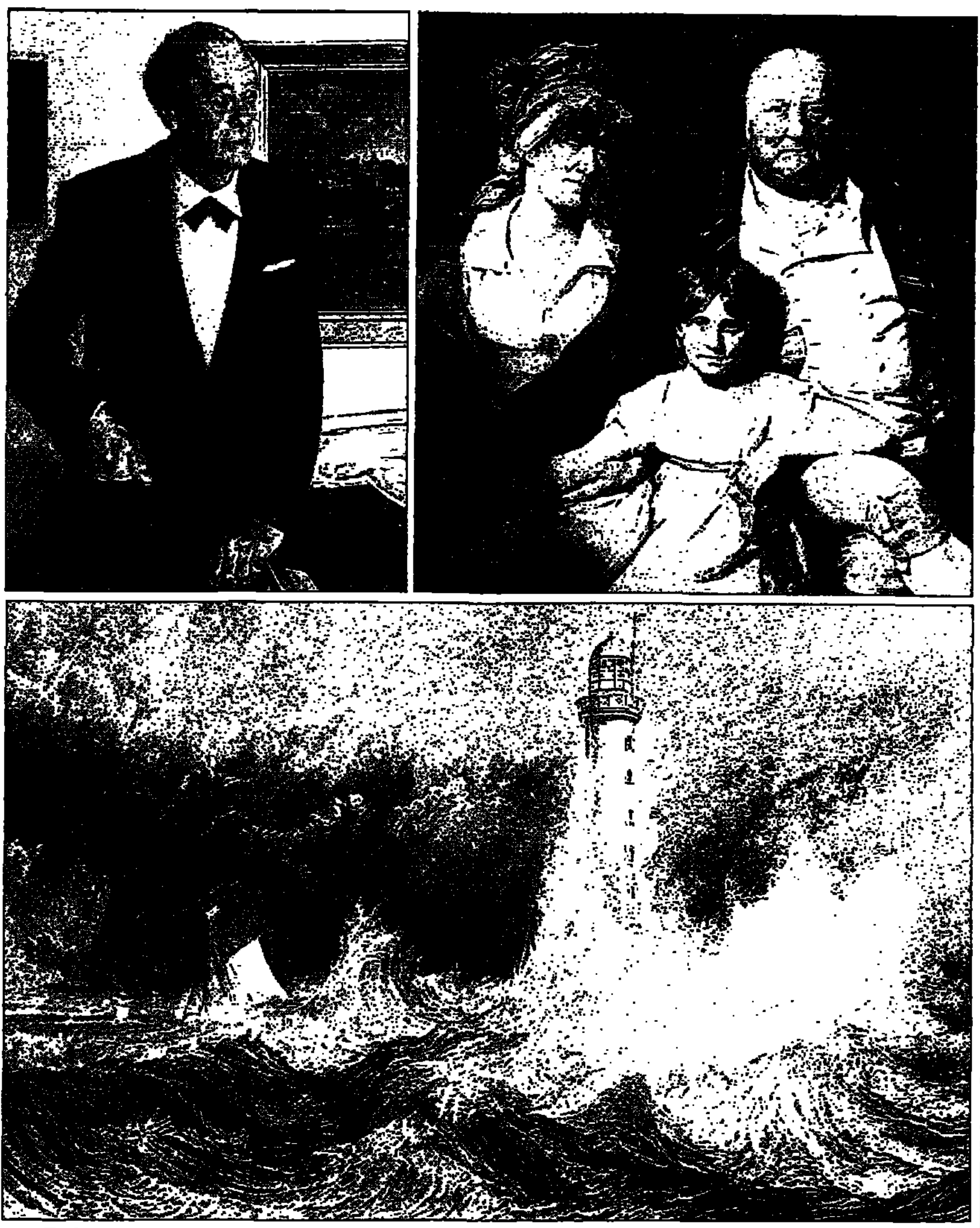
Miss Woodroffe agreed with Anthony Hughes, QC, for the defence, that a particle could be wafted through the air and affect the result. She added, however, that the tests were controlled very carefully.

The nurse was allegedly attacked in her home in the Earlsdon area of Coventry in September last year by a masked man with a knife Mr Treacy told the jury: "What happened to her reflects every woman's nightmare."

Miss Woodroffe said that although the new technique had not been used in this country before, it had been applied in a number of cases in the United States and in Europe.

She told Mr Treacy that she had no reservations about its being presented in evidence.

The case was adjourned until today.



Each one a recently acquired Scottish treasure: top left: Stephen Conroy's portrait of Sir Steven Runciman; top right: William Bethune and his family by Sir David Wilkie; above: the Bell Rock Lighthouse by J.M.W. Turner

Scots canvass one national gallery

By Kerry Gill

A PROPOSAL for a new National Gallery of Scottish Art was announced yesterday, aimed at bringing together under one roof the country's artistic heritage, currently divided between three national galleries.

The decision to establish a single art gallery follows a recent commitment by the national galleries to promote the Scottish collection, which culminated in the exhibitions Scotland's Pictures, viewed by 157,916 people, and Virtue and Vision, Sculpture and Scotland.

Timothy Clifford, director of the National Galleries of Scotland, said the plan was an exciting challenge, allowing the variety and quality of Scottish art to be shown. "Scotland deserves a single gallery devoted entirely to its country's distinctive native school and remarkable history. I am impatient for the opening day," he said yesterday when the project was announced in Edinburgh.

The government has promised £50,000 towards a feasibility study and the trustees will encourage a wide range of views as detailed plans are developed. The gallery may be sited in the Dean Centre, Edinburgh, opposite the Scottish National Gallery of Modern Art. The trustees hope the gallery will be supported by private collectors who own some of the greatest works. They will be encouraged to lend, give or bequeath work.

The national galleries have used a substantial amount of money recently to buy important Scottish paintings and works associated with the country. They include Mytens' portrait of James, 1st Duke of Hamilton; Sir David Wilkie's William Bethune and his Family; Turner's *Bell Rock Lighthouse*; a bookcase by Charles Rennie Mackintosh and Conroy's portrait of Sir Steven Runicman.

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Fewer complaints against the press

By Melinda Wittstock, media correspondent

THE number of complaints upheld against newspapers for invasions of privacy and misleading coverage has declined since the Press Complaints Commission replaced the Press Council last January.

The new self-regulatory body will reveal this next month in a report on its first six months. The commission received 714 complaints compared with 818 received by the Press Council in the same period last year, adjudicating 18 compared to the council's 84.

Only ten complaints had been upheld by the commission by the end of June against 51 by the Press Council in the first half of 1990. The *News of the World* alone breached privacy guidelines in what the commission ruled was a "vendetta" against Clare Short, the Labour MP, for her opposition to the publication of photographs of topless women.

Six of the complaints upheld concerned inaccuracy and one violated a clause calling on the press to avoid identifying relatives or friends of convicted or alleged criminals. The commission upheld another two complaints as violating "the spirit of the code". Raymonds Press Agency was censured after one *of its photographers paid £2 to* a boy to fetch a photograph of his mother from her bedroom for publication. The *Sunday Mirror* was rebuked for reporting without confirmation that letters and photographs found in a Belfast scrapyard belonged to soldiers who were identified in its report.

Lord McGregor of Durris, the commission's chairman, attributed the drop in adjudicated complaints to a rise in the number of disputes settled directly between complainants and editors. He said that editors were now far more willing to co-operate with the commission.

● *Today* and *The Sun* were censured by the commission yesterday for publishing inaccurate features about single women choosing artificial insemination. Lisa Saffron complained that both tabloids published misleading accounts about her. The commission ruled that the *Today* report had distorted Ms Saffron's account by not reporting that she was a lesbian, a fact she had asked the reporter to include in the article. *The Sun* admitted copying parts of the *Today* story, repeating unchecked direct quotations attributed to Ms Saffron.

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TONY WHITE

Time to unwind: Whitbread shire horses frolicking yesterday at the start of their traditional summer holiday at the brewery company's hop farm at Beltring, Kent. Earlier, the company's shires had for the last time left their stables at Garrett Street, City of London. From next month, they will be based at the hop farm

Ozone at 'danger level'

By Bill Frost

OZONE levels posed a danger to health in Britain last summer, with concentrations along the south coast more than double the internationally-recognised safe limit, a report from Greenpeace claims today.

The highest levels of ozone were recorded in Devon and East Sussex, where on average the concentration was high enough on one day in seven to impair lung function in healthy children and pose a threat to those suffering from asthma.

Data was collected between April and September at 18 environment department monitoring stations around the country. World Health Organisation guidelines say that ozone levels should not exceed 50-60 parts per billion over an eight-hour period. The environment department figures show that samples taken at the 18 stations were all in breach of the guidelines.

Greenpeace last week identified traffic fumes as a key element in pollution. Charlie Kronick, Greenpeace transport campaigner, said yesterday that nowhere was safe from traffic pollution. "Cutting traffic is the fastest way to reduce the health risk."

Police try to identify mystery stowaways

Police and social services are trying to identify two boys, aged 15 and 16, who were sent back to Britain by Danish immigration authorities after stowing away on a ferry.

The boys, who have no identification and speak only a few words of English, say they come from the Israeli-occupied Gaza Strip and have spent several years travelling the world as stowaways.

However, efforts to talk to them through an interpreter who speaks several Middle Eastern languages have failed.

Officials believe the boys stowed away on a ferry from Felixstowe. On their return they were held by police at Harwich, Essex. Last night they were in a temporary foster home.

The Home Office is also involved in the enquiry because it seems certain that the boys entered Britain illegally.

Labour pledge on slow pupils

The Labour party promised to speed up the process that allows parents to win extra help for slow learners. (John O'Leary writes).

The party said that a Labour government would set a time limit of six months for local authorities to issue statements of special educational needs and speed up appeals to the education department.

Murder charge

Adam O'Shea, aged 23, of Shepherd's Bush, west London, was remanded in custody at Dorking accused of murdering Sarah Turner, a student aged 21, from Ewell, Surrey.

Crash kills two

Two people were killed and three injured when two cars collided head-on on the A1 Belford by-pass, in Northumberland.

Cliff-hanger

An RAF helicopter rescued a man aged 38 and his eight-year-old son who had clung to a cliff-side for 13 hours at Tunstall, Tyne and Wear, trapped by an incoming tide.

Water scare

A thousand people in Ben Rhydding, West Yorkshire, have been told to boil their water following the discovery of bacteria in supplies.

Tourist dies

A second Italian tourist died after a holiday minibus collided with a lorry in the Scottish Highlands. His companion died after the crash on Monday night.

37 charged

Thirty-seven men, aged 17 to 35 and mostly from London, were charged at Edinburgh with conspiring to commit assault and other criminal acts in the city last Sunday.

Editor accused

Lindsay Drew, aged 34, editor of *Penthouse* magazine, was charged with possessing and publishing obscene material, following a raid on her home at Stoke D'Abernon, Surrey.

Driver burnt

A train driver was treated for serious burns after touching the electrified line at Chichester, West Sussex, when he was checking a fault.

Parachute crash

Three spectators were injured when a Royal Marine crash-landed at a parachute display in Southsea, Hampshire.

Girl assaulted

A girl aged eight was indecently assaulted by a man aged about 20 as she played on park swings at Pitsea, Essex.

Spiders saved

Suffolk water company is spending £30,000 putting water back into Redgrave and Lopham Fen to save the only colony of Britain's largest spider, the great raft.

Charismatics herald a new dawn in the Catholic church

By Ruth Gledhill
Religious affairs correspondent

WITH all the authority of Rome resonant in his voice, the priest said: "Let us pray." More than 2,000 devout Roman Catholics responded by bursting into "glossolalia", speaking in tongues.

As charismatic celebrations go, yesterday's mass of the transfiguration at Walsingham, Norfolk, was a study in religious contrasts: 40 priests, in white vestments processed through a marquee, peopled by an uninhibited gathering of informally dressed Catholic families, to a stage which they shared with an upbeat Gospel group. Charismatic renewal has the backing of most church leaders today.

The Archbishop of Canterbury, Dr George Carey, said recently that he had every reason to be grateful for the impact of renewal in his own life. Cardinal Basil Hume, Catholic Archbishop of Westminster, gives charismatics his full backing and has described them as "one of the growth points of the church". Official Catholic teaching demands that the gifts of the spirit be received with gratitude.

The gathering in Walsingham of more than 3,000 Catholic charismatics is an example of how the church of Rome has absorbed and benefitted from renewal in a way which is sometimes envied by other churches, where the growth of neo-Pentecostalism can result in division and dissent.

Charismatic renewal has been criticised for its emphasis on experience at the expense of intellect. But in his sermon at yesterday's mass, Fr Rufus Pereira, a leader of renewal in the Catholic church in India, said: "Words and teaching may give us wisdom. Actions and deeds may be examples. But it is experience that gives us power and life."

Today the Catholics, many of them barefoot, will walk the "Holy Mile" from the Holy Slipper chapel to the Walsingham Priory for another mass, where priests will hear confession in the open air. Last night, they met at the shrine for a healing service.

Fr Robert Faricy, professor of spirituality at the Pontifical Gregorian University of Rome, defended charismatic claims to miraculous healings, prophecy, and speaking in tongues. "The healing part of it is right in line with ordinary Catholic faith," he said. "Catholics have always believed in prayer for healing. Healings do happen more in the context of charismatic renewal, and that is hard to explain. What might be considered new for the Catholic church would be the gift of prophecy and the gift of tongues. But the biggest novelty is baptism in the Holy Spirit."

The five-day New Dawn in the Church conference, in its fifth year and organised by the Prince of Peace lay community of Beckenham, Kent, has witnessed a 40 per cent increase in numbers each year.

Many believe that this rate of growth is a reflection of the growth of renewal across the denominations: charismatics are now thought to account for one-fifth of the world's christians. The conference has attracted Catholics from all over the world, including Slovenia, Czechoslovakia, Portugal, Poland, Africa, Trinidad and Mexico.

Hume: has given full backing to charismatics

Kidnappers give tantalising hints of deal over hostages

From MICHAEL THEODOULOU
IN NICOSIA

THE publicity-seeking kidnappers of 12 Western hostages in Lebanon stole the limelight again last night with tantalising statements hinting at the imminent release of their captives.

The pro-Iranian Islamic Jihad said yesterday it would be sending a "special envoy" with an "extremely important" message to the United Nations secretary-general within the next 48 hours. In New York, Javier Pérez de Cuéllar said he would give the organisation an audience.

The group said it wanted to break the hostage deadlock and hinted it wanted a deal whereby all the hostages would go free in exchange for the release of hundreds of Shia Muslims and Palestinians jailed by Israel. Some diplomats said shifts in the regional balance of power have increasingly marginalised the kidnappers, who are keen to seize the initiative before it is seized from them with none of their demands met.

Anderson: the picture sent by his captors yesterday

The kidnappers' announcement came just hours after the *Tehran Times* newspaper, which has been reasonably accurate in past predictions, said that a British and American hostage could be freed by the weekend.

It has been nearly a year since the last Western hostage, Brian Keenan, was set free. In April last year, two Americans were freed on "humanitarian grounds", but the hoped-for release of the others never materialised.

For authentication, Islamic Jihad's statement was accompanied by what was assumed to be a recent photograph of Mr Anderson, grim-faced but, unlike previous pictures, clean-shaven. Sources in Beirut hinted that the group's envoy could actually be one of its hostages, most probably the American journalist Terry Anderson, the longest-held of all the Westerners. He was seized on March 16, 1985.

Peggy Say, Mr Anderson's sister, said that the American State Department had reports through diplomatic channels of a forthcoming release of an American and a Briton. Islamic Jihad has never claimed responsibility for the kidnapped Britons, Terry Waite and John McCarthy. But when Mr Keenan was freed last August, he said that he had shared a cell with Mr McCarthy and was confident Mr Waite was in an adjacent cell. Mr Keenan had also seen Mr Anderson during his four-and-a-half years in captivity.

Islamic Jihad's message is likely to promise the release of one or two hostages on "humanitarian" grounds and urge Señor Pérez de Cuéllar in turn to persuade Israel to meet the kidnappers' main demand — freedom for 300 to 400 Arabs and Palestinians held in Israel and at Khiam prison in southern Lebanon. They also want the release of Sheikh Abdel Karim Obeid, the Hezbollah cleric kidnapped from his south Lebanon home by Israeli commandos two years ago. Israel has said it would free some of those held in return for seven Israeli servicemen missing in Lebanon, but both sides have accused each other of stalling.

In recent weeks, Islamic Jihad has also demanded the freedom of two brothers jailed for terrorist offences in Germany. Another group threatened dire consequences for two German aid workers it said it was holding unless the pair were freed.

Syria and Iran, keen to improve relations with the West, have been trying to win freedom for the hostages. It has been nearly a year since Britain renewed ties with both, expecting the release of the three Britons, including Jackie Mann, to follow within weeks. Physically, the net is closing in on the Hezbollah militia in Lebanon, where the Syrian-backed army has been disarming rebel gunmen, by force if necessary. The kidnappers must be running out of places to hide their victims.

Hostage envoy, page 1

Home guard: an Israeli soldier guarding a Jewish family in the new settlement of Eshkolot, a former military base in the occupied territory of the West Bank. The land was given to them this week under Israeli housing policy

Better life lures Israeli settlers

From RICHARD BEESTON IN ESHKOLOT, OCCUPIED WEST BANK

THIS tatty collection of ageing prefabricated buildings, which until this week served as an army observation post in the Judaean hills, does not look the sort of location to inspire love or hatred.

The route leading to Eshkolot runs through a rubbish dump serving the nearby Arab village of Dhahiriya. From a distance, the only sign of its existence in the arid landscape is a large black plastic water tower rising above a dirt road beside the rusty remains of barbed wire fencing and discarded military equipment.

There is no running water, no electricity, apart from that produced by a generator. Aside from the chants of a group of children proclaiming that "Eshkolot is number one", and the spectacular view over the coastal plain, the site has little to recommend it.

And yet the establishment on Monday night of this latest Jewish colony in occupied Arab land underscores the determination of the government to continue to take over Arab lands at a time when it may soon have to begin trading land for peace. Just as James Baker, the US Secretary of State, was making his way back to Washington after clinching Israel's agreement to attend the peace talks, the Likud-led government showed its determination to continue establishing settlements.

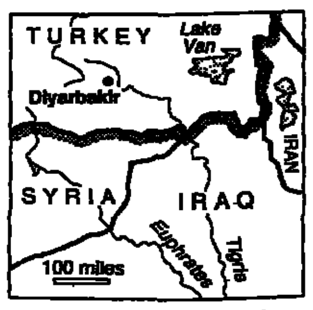
"This government does not intend to change its policy on settling the Land of Israel," said Dan Meridor, the justice minister, a close adviser to the prime minister, Yitzhak Shamir, who is committed to adding to the 100,000 Jews presently living among 1.75 million Arabs in the West Bank and Gaza Strip. Although Mr Meridor insisted that the creation of such a tiny enclave could hardly be construed as a threat to peace, Eshkolot's existence adds another difficulty to the task of solving the Palestinian question.

Certainly Yoram Levy, aged 29, an engineer from Beersheba who was making plans yesterday to move to Eshkolot, is not prepared to give up his new home nor the "improved quality of life" he claims the settlement will provide. "There is only one chair in this country and I am sitting in it," he said, echoing the beliefs of many of his fellow colonisers who are adamant that not one inch of occupied territory should ever be relinquished.

Like many of the 15 families who are due to move into Eshkolot in the coming days, he has been attracted to life in a settlement not by religious inspiration nor political ideology but rather by financial inducements which make living in the West Bank considerably cheaper than three miles across the valley in Israel proper. Similar housing schemes are under way throughout the lands captured by Israel in the 1967 six-day war. The aim is to settle tens of thousands more Jews in the territories during the next two years.

Kurdish base in Iraq attacked

From ANDREW FINKEL
IN ISTANBUL



TURKEY has raided a base of the Kurdish Workers' party (PKK) inside Iraq. Although the government has given few details of the attack, independent accounts from eastern Turkey say that fighter aircraft operating out of Diyarbakir were used in the assault that took place early on Monday morning.

News of the Turkish incursion, about 12 miles into what once constituted the allied security zone in northern Iraq, was leaked from a parliamentary executive committee of the ruling Motherland party. But later, the Turkish prime minister, Mesut Yilmaz, denied that the raid had taken place. However, he defended his country's right to take whatever measures it felt necessary against "those who exploit the vacuum of authority in northern Iraq to cross into Turkey to commit crimes".

The prime minister had been quoted widely in the Turkish press as having briefed an executive committee of his own party about the raid. Accounts of extensive use of the Diyarbakir military airbase early on Monday gave credence to reports that Turkish troops had launched a retaliatory raid against a camp of the Kurdish Workers' party where the brother of the guerrilla group's leader, Abdullah Ocalan, was based.

Mr Yilmaz said that the news purporting to come from him was untrue. He also said that he was keeping an open mind about who was responsible for the kidnapping of ten German tourists in the east of the country, despite the report yesterday from Bonn that a political wing associated with the PKK had accepted responsibility for the abduction.

Turkish determination to get tough with the PKK appears to have been stiffened by the tourists' abduction. But the present raid comes as direct retaliation for a PKK rocket assault on a Turkish border post on Sunday in which nine soldiers were killed. The prime minister promised swift retribution and, even before that, Turgut Ozal, the Turkish president, said his country would strike at its enemies abroad if necessary.

That there is no effective border with Iraq is of obvious concern to the Turkish government. It has made no secret of its belief that the PKK has taken advantage of the emergency facing the Iraqi Kurds to strengthen its own military position.

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Grief cedes to anger as Serbs bury political murder victim

Milosevic: accused of using conflict to prolong regime

Anne McElvoy and Dessa Trevisan in Belgrade report on opposition to Slobodan Milosevic, the leader who rejected the EC peace mission

THE coffin was draped with the Serbian flag. The widow stumbling behind it wore combat fatigues, and the silence of the mourners was punctuated by hoarse cries in which anger outweighed grief. At the graveside stacked loudspeakers conveyed the panegyrics to thousands of mourners in the Bezanija cemetery.

Branislav Mitic's funeral was a political affair, intended as a call to Serbia's opposition to unite and intensify its struggle against the socialist regime and its leader, Slobodan Milosevic.

Mr Mitic was a prosperous businessman and the main financer of the Serbian Renewal Movement. He was shot down by two unidentified masked marksmen at the weekend. There are few doubts in Belgrade about who is responsible for his death, the first political assassination to arise from the Yugoslavian conflict.

The tears shed for him yesterday were laced with special bitterness. In an unnerving twist in the tale of inter-ethnic conflict, he was a Serb, killed by Serbs.

The Renewal Movement is anti-communist and opposes Slobodan Milosevic, whom it accuses of using the Serbian cause to prolong the regime. It favours the establishment of an independent Serbian national guard, an unpolitical national army, unallied to the federal forces and constructed on the same lines as the defence forces of Croatia and Slovenia. The movement claims to have 30 000 potential recruits and is building bridges with the regime's main political opponents, the Democratic Party. To judge by the mourners yesterday, it also commands wide support.

Elderly women, shrouded in black shawls mixed with teenage girls and burly middle-aged men. Two lorryloads of wreaths from absent sympathisers were delivered to the grave. There were passionate denunciations of Mr Milosevic. "There can be no peace, no prosperity for Serbia while he is there," cried one man as he added his wreath to the flowers strewn across the cemetery.

The Serbian government is clearly alarmed at the prospect of popular challenge to Mr Milosevic. It is even more concerned at the movement's potential for disturbing the tacit alliance between Serbia and the army which has helped the Serbs gain the upper hand in Croatia. The ruling socialists have recently begin an offensive against it.

Mr Mitic was known to be be giving generous funds for uniforms and weapons for the embryonic national guard.Vojislav Seselj , a militant Serb deputy and protégé of Mr Milosevic, said last week in parliament that the Renewal Movement was led by "criminals who *want to turn* Belgrade into Chicago".

As if anxious to play their own part in this gangster scenario, Mr Mitic's opponents waited for him to arrive home, jumped from two white Mercedes and shot him in the back and head. His wife and children saw him bleed to death as the murderers sped away.

A former ally of Mr Milosevic, Mr Mitic had previously contributed to the ruling party's funds for the reconstruction of the republic. The same funds, said the Renewal Movement's president, Vuk Draskovic, in an emotional graveside speech, had now been used to hire hitmen to kill him.

"You were our ally and our friend. Now you are our *martyr," he said. "You were* killed by a regime which feeds on blood and which only more blood can keep in power. You were the victim of a man who will tolerate only the Yugoslavia that suits him and only the Serbs which suit him."

Mr Milosevic, while he remains the hero of the Serbs in Croatian enclaves and in ethnically-mixed Bosnia, is undergoing a slump in popularity in Serbia itself. Opposition to him has been nourished by the claim of the Dutch foreign minister, Hans van den Broek, that Serbian intransigence was the decisive reason for the breakdown of the EEC peace mission.

The ruling socialist party has hastened to limit the political damage to Mr Milosevic by stating that its leader is still amenable to talks and referring to the breakdown as the result of "a misunderstanding". It has realised belatedly that there is little mileage at home or abroad in having Serbia identified as the main disruptive influence to a widely desired peace process.

Croatia and rebel Serbs accept truce in Krajina

From Tim Judah in Zagreb

FIGHTING continued in Croatia yesterday morning as the Yugoslav federal presidency ceasefire commission met in Belgrade to report the acceptance of a truce by both Zagreb and rebel Serbs from the enclave of Krajina.

On Saturday the chief of the Krajina militia, Milan Martic, had said that his men would only accept the ceasefire once the Croats had effectively surrendered, but on Monday Milan Babic, Krajina's political leader, said that they would accept an immediate ceasefire if they were guaranteed army protection.

The federal presidency scheduled a meeting at which "a ceasefire in Croatia should be proclaimed," the Tanjug news agency said. The ceasefire would probably be declared in effect from midnight last night.

Mortar, grenade and machinegun attacks continued after Mr Babic's declaration, which was greeted with scepticism in Zagreb. An adviser to Franjo Tudjman, the Croatian president, said: "If such a statement was made then I am sure that it was done to create an impression outside the country that the federal presidency could solve the problem without outside intervention." Milan Brezak, Croatia's deputy minister of the interior, said: "Any news about a ceasefire is good news ... but these terrorists are not negotiating partners for us."

There has been an improvement in the mood in Zagreb since the collapse of the European Community peace mission on Sunday. Zvonimir Separovic, Croatia's new foreign minister, said : "What is encouraging is that the débâcle of Serbian policies has provoked results way beyond our expectations. The world has realised who is working for peace and who is against it. There has been a strong change in policy both by Germany and France." Mr Separovic said that he felt encouraged that Germany might soon recognise Croatia and he was also happy at French moves to raise the Croatian conflict at the United Nations.

The thrust of Croatian foreign policy over the past six weeks has been to internationalise the conflict. This has succeeded if only because of Serbia's perceived obduracy. Observers in Zagreb pointed out that Krajina's leadership changed its tune about a ceasefire after Serbia was strongly condemned by Hans-Dietrich Genscher, the German foreign minister and Hans van den Broek, his Dutch counterpart and leader of the failed EC mission.

●**Moscow:** The Soviet government issued an appeal to the Yugoslav leadership, saying that civil conflict could escalate into a pan-European war if a peaceful solution was not found urgently. It called for a ceasefire and negotiations.

In a section addressed only to Croatia, the appeal emphasised Soviet opposition to international intervention in Yugoslavia, insisting that it could "only make the conflict more serious".

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Europeans struggle to make peace

By David Watts
Diplomatic Correspondent

AS FOREIGN ministers of the European Community struggled with the problem of Yugoslavia yesterday, it was clear that there is no single European institution which could handle all aspects of the turmoil.

The **Conference on Security and Co-operation in Europe** was an early favourite in the search for a permanent solution. However, a goodwill mission which was its first test achieved nothing and any decisions taken by the body are hampered by the necessity for consensus among its 35 members, which include the Soviet Union and the federal government of Yugoslavia.

The **Western European Union**, which comprises Britain, France, Germany, Belgium, The Netherlands, Italy and Luxembourg, is favoured by the French as the body which could be charged with the organisation of a body of peace-enforcing troops. At present it is not geared up to achieve this. It is further compromised by having Germany as the current chairman. The Germans are historically seen in Yugoslavia as anti-Serbian.

Some members of the EC are keen to establish the principle of a common foreign policy, through a solution to the Yugoslav question. However, since almost every constituent nation sees the problem differently and there is no central authority for foreign policy, this appears unlikely.

There have been calls for the involvement of the United Nations in order to bring about a Yugoslav solution. It has the necessary clout, the insitutional machinery and the ability to police a settlement. But there is a lack of enthusiasm to become embroiled in an internal quarrel and the Americans clearly feel this is one for the Europeans to sort out themselves.

Loss leaders: a Moscow artist taking down his cartoons of Presidents Gorbachev and Bush yesterday. He has found there is no demand for the caricatures after the recent superpower summit in the Soviet capital, when the strategic arms reduction treaty was signed

Kremlin shows off new rash of reformist spots

From Mary Dejevsky in Moscow

Pavlov: angry insistence on keeping up Cuba links

WITH the Group of Seven meeting in London and the superpower summit in Moscow behind them, the Soviet authorities are mounting a vigorous propaganda effort to convince the West of their reformist intentions.

A round table of senior economic officials, a well-publicised interview on defence spending by the deputy prime minister, a linguistic adjustment in relations with Cuba and a virtuoso television performance by one of the erstwhile "black colonels" calling for "consensus government" are only some of the components.

The public "conversion" of Colonel Viktor Alksnis will have meant as much to Soviet television viewers as all the economic statistics put together. Colonel Alksnis, who accused President Gorbachev last November of having "lost" the support of the army and in January accused him of betrayal after he failed to approve the army's intervention in Lithuania, appeared on Monday night as the voice of sweet reason. Answering viewers' questions, he rejected all calls for confrontation, advocated harmony and consensus and proposed a collection of moderate and reformist household names to govern the Soviet Union.

The changing tone on relations with Cuba may in time prove more significant. In the few days after President Bush made his call for Moscow to end economic and especially military aid to Cuba, the comments of Soviet officials were aggressive. The prime minister, Valentin Pavlov, rejected the American demand and insisted that relations with Cuba would continue as before. Yesterday, however, the tone started to change. One of the participants in the economic roundtable said that, although the relationship would continue, its "structure" would undoubtedly change. Instead of Cuba's need of assistance, he emphasised the Soviet Union's need of goods produced by Cuba, in particular, sugar.

Another of Mr Bush's demands was for the Soviet economy to be demilitarised. In an interview yesterday, the deputy prime minister, Vladimir Shcherbakov, produced figures which, he said, showed how far military spending had been cut this year compared with last. Budget allocations for purchases of arms and military equipment, he claimed, had been "slashed" by more than a third.

The most conspicuous exercise in presentation so far was yesterday's tellingly named roundtable on "Soviet integration into the world economy: specific areas of co-operation".

Moldavia agrees economic deal with Romanians

From Reuter in Kishinev

PETRE Roman, the Romanian prime minister, had an emotional welcome in Soviet Moldavia yesterday when he signed a deal aimed at integrating the republic's economy with Bucharest's.

The agreement, the first between Bucharest and Kishinev, was made possible by a Romanian-Soviet treaty signed this year allowing Romania to bypass Moscow in its relations with the 15 Soviet republics.

"This is more than an agreement. Now we must reach out and accomplish more together." Mr Roman said on arrival for the first visit by a modern Romanian leader to Moldavia, where ethnic Romanians make up 64 per cent of the 4.3 million inhabitants. Most of Moldavia was part of Romania until Moscow incorporated the provinces of Bessarabia and northern Bukovina in 1940 under the terms of the Nazi-Soviet pact.

"This is my first trip to this *land to which our hearts are* bound for ever," Mr Roman said. Hundreds of women cheered and wept as they watched him lay a wreath in Kishinev, the capital, at a monument to Romania's greatest national hero, Stephen the Great, who ruled Moldavia in the Middle Ages.

Many Romanian parties are agitating for the territory's return. But Mr Roman's national salvation front government, which took power in the December 1989 anti-Communist revolution, has ruled out trying to revise the frontier for the time being.

Moldavia is one of six republics holding out against President Gorbachev's new union treaty. Moldavia's parliament has in recent months taken steps to strengthen cultural and other ties with Romania.

Deputies also approved a scheme last month for an alternative to Soviet military service and raised the possibility of creating the republic's own internal security services *to protect key installations.*

Pentagon proves teasing photographs are fake

From Martin Fletcher in Washington

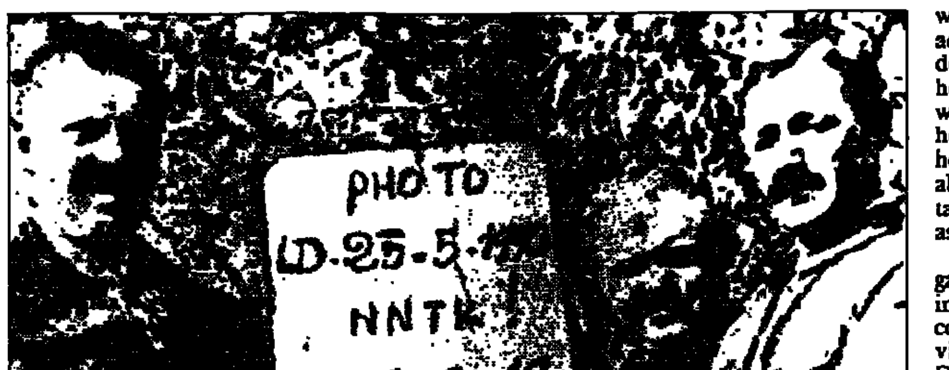
THE publication three weeks ago of a grainy photograph purporting to show three American servicemen still alive in Indochina has let loose a riptide of speculation and rumour, copycat photographs, congressional demands for action and redoubled administration efforts to account for the 2,273 men still missing from the Vietnam era.

The national hubbub demonstrates the hold that the issue still exerts over the *American people 16 years* after the war ended, even though not one MIA (missing in action) has emerged alive from the jungles of Vietnam, Laos or Cambodia in all that time. This week the latest burst of activity produced its first concrete result, but not the one the MIAs' families were hoping for.

The Pentagon produced proof that some photographs of alleged American MIAs which have recently surfaced out of South-East Asia were fakes. They had been culled from a 19-month-old Soviet magazine, *Sovetsky Soyuz*, available at the Soviet cultural centre in Phnom Penh, doctored and then disseminated. One of the pictures was of a Soviet electrical engineer, another of a baker at a Soviet base in Antarctica.

The more celebrated photograph of the three alleged American servicemen had reached the Pentagon via the same source — "a ring of well known Cambodian opportunists" led by *an "admitted fabricator"* — a spokesman said, although the Pentagon has still been unable to say conclusively that it was a also a hoax.

Another photograph has surfaced purporting to show Donald Carr, an army captain whose surveillance aircraft disappeared over Laos in 1971. Michael Charney, a noted anthropologist and forensic scientist from Colorado state university, has compared the picture scientifically with one of Carr taken in 1965 and says that he is sure it is the same man. Colonel Jack Bailey, who heads a group of MIA activists called Operation Rescue, said Carr was wearing the polo shirt he had earlier given a Laotian source planning a mission to locate prisoners of war.



Probable forgery: alleged image of US servicemen missing in South-East Asia

This is a nation trapped in a vicious circle. The administration is practically certain that there are no Americans still alive in Indochina — Brent Scowcroft, the national security adviser, recently became the first senior official to say so publicly — but it cannot prove a negative.

All the time reward-seeking Indochinese opportunists are producing titbits of information and photographs that understandably are seized on by the MIAs' families. After three families had positively identified the three servicemen, the Pentagon received calls from other families insisting that they were their relatives.

The Pentagon has to investigate the families' claims or risk the charge of indifference to the servicemen's fate, but by the very act of investigating lends those claims more credence. President Bush acknowledged the dilemma tacitly last Friday when he pledged that the administration would "run down every single lead" but hoped that in doing so he was not raising the families' hopes. Condemning the hoaxers, he said: "You talk about doing something brutal to a family, that is about as cruel as you can do."

The administration is engaged on probably its most intensive effort yet to account for the missing servicemen. A senior State Department official visited the capitals of Loas, Cambodia and Vietnam recently *to secure those governments'* co-operation. Teams of American officials are scouring remote jungle crash sites in Vietnam for remains. The Pentagon has nearly doubled the number of people allocated to its MIA operations and Mr Bush raised the matter with President Gorbachev at the recent Moscow summit.

On Capitol Hill, the Senate has voted to establish a committee to try to resolve the MIA issue, and a team of six congressmen has just left for Indochina to pursue enquiries.

Welter of woes faces Kohl

Bonn — The Federal Statistical Office has been sending some grim holiday reading this week to Helmut Kohl, at the German chancellor's lakeside resort in Austria, which reveals the scale of the problems he faces when his holiday is over (Ian Murray writes).

The total number of people entering the country so far this year is 112,828 — 15 per cent up on this time last year. More than half are from Eastern Europe. The economy is showing real signs of strain. The rise in the cost of living index, at 4.5 per cent, is higher than in France. Average wage settlements, at 6.9 per cent, are higher than in Britain.

The Bonn urban studies institute calculates there is a shortage of 1.5 million homes in the west, while in the east up to half a million flats are empty, having been declared unfit for habitation. Unemployment in the east, at 1,068,600, has topped the million mark for the first time.

General sought

Sofia — Bulgaria has asked the Soviet Union to extradite General Vladimir Todorov, a former Bulgarian intelligence chief wanted for questioning over the 1978 "poison umbrella murder" in London of Georgi Markov, the exiled dissident. Extradition papers were sent to Moscow last Friday. *(Reuter)*

Spy reprieve

Bonn — Markus Wolf, who was East Germany's chief spy, is to be allowed into Germany with impunity to give evidence at the trial of a former Stasi (secret police) officer. The constitutional court in Karlsruhe ruled that police would not be able to arrest Herr Wolf, who has been living in the Soviet Union.

Sole fever

Moscow — The arrival of 12,000 pairs of imported Italian tennis shoes in created a three-day riot in Nizhny Tagil, a remote town 600 miles east of Moscow, where special "Black Beret" troops were called in to fight off waves of metallurgy workers demanding the latest in Western footwear. *(Reuter)*

Civilian cuts

Bonn — The German Bundeswehr, now being cut by 120,000 men to a strength of 370,000, will close down 116 of its 720 bases in the west but will garrison 141 new bases in the east, Gerhard Stoltenberg, the defence minister, said. The closures will mean the loss of about 40,000 civilian jobs over the next decade.

In a fine mesh

Villa San Giovanni — Thousands of holidaymakers heading for Sicily were stranded on the Italian mainland after fishermen blocked ferries bound for the island in protest against a ban on a net for swordfish. Cars and lorries formed a two-mile tailback from this port in the toe of Italy. *(Reuter)*

Rock solidarity

Gibraltar — A local magazine poll suggested that a 52 per cent majority of inhabitants of the British colony would prefer their fortress home to be Gibraltarian rather than British or Spanish. The editor, Joe Garcia, said that 47.5 per cent wanted to be British and only 0.5 per cent Spanish. *(AP)*

Spirit of the law

Moscow — Traffic police in the Soviet city of Tselinograd have launched a commercial service for drivers who have had a vodka or two over the limit. *Pravda* reports that a telephone call will bring a police officer who, "for a sufficiently solid sum", will drive the drinker home — in his or her own car. *(Reuter)*

Kaunda goes on attack in face of threat to leadership

From JAN RAATH IN LUSAKA

PRESIDENT Kaunda yesterday appeared to have dismissed all thoughts of relinquishing power in Zambia after 27 years, ignoring all the omens ranged against him.

He used the opening speech of the extraordinary congress of the ruling United National Independent party (Unip) to launch an unexpected attack against the new opposition party that threatens to overwhelm his, and against dissenters in his camp. He also fulminated against unnamed Western governments, one of which is believed to be Britain.

But there is a universal perception in Zambia that the adulation yesterday by the party faithful at Mulungushi Rock, the large chunk of granite where Unip was founded in 1961 will only deepen his already intense unpopularity after holding the reins of power for more than a quarter of a century. It also appeared to destroy Unip's chance of winning the country's first multiparty election promised for October.

He delivered his two-hour address from a dais, wearing a white cap and shirt and a bright green windcheater, punctuating his speech with chants of "One Zambia, one nation", while choirs sang his praises, toddlers danced, and the crowd saluted him with wildly enthusiastic Victory salutes.

The real world in Zambia is different. Three weeks ago thousands of Zambians pelted him with beer cans and orange peel and chanted *kuyabebele* ("you have to go") when he arrived at a football match. Within the month he has to sign into law a new constitution that will strip him of his extraordinary dictatorial powers, after being forced into a humiliating agreement to changes insisted on by the opposition Movement for Multiparty Democracy.

Within Unip, he is being challenged for the leadership by Enock Kavindele, a wealthy chief executive of a local conglomerate who owns his own Lear jet aircraft. Mr Kavindele holds that Unip with Dr Kaunda at the helm is finished and that the party's only chance in the election is with a new leadership, which has been cleansed of the veteran independence politicians surrounding the president.

Unip's last rally was in Lusaka on June 15, when a well-practised "rent-a-crowd" operation, featuring free caps and T-shirts, pulled in an impressive-looking throng. The opposition rally the next day was attended by more than double the numbers, without added attractions or free transport. The congress was widely seen as an opportunity for Dr Kaunda to withdraw gracefully from the helm but he appears to have ignored all the warning signs. One of the aims of the congress is to change its constitution and allow the top party posts to be elected, and to permit more than one candidate for the presidency.

But yesterday morning the party-owned *Times of Zambia*, in a typical piece of double speak, announced that the party recognised Dr Kaunda as the only presidential candidate, while Mr Kavindele would still be free to stand.

President Kaunda's speech was laden with invective against "the rich", an innuendo seen to be aimed at Mr Kavindele sitting on the platform with the president, while the crowd roared its approval.

Veteran party apparatchiks have offered their resignation but Dr Kaunda has successfully pleaded with them to stay on. With the congress delegates handpicked for their loyalty to Dr Kaunda, the results of the election for the party hierarchy, due to be announced on Friday, are expected to produce what Dr Kaunda wants.

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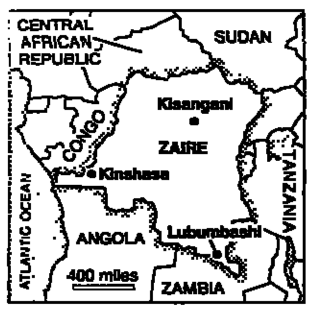
Kaunda: was pelted with beer cans last month



Zaireans bring out dirty linen

From REUTER IN KINSHASHA

SUPPORTERS and long-gagged opponents of President Mobutu of Zaire are promising embarrassing revelations when a much-postponed national conference opens today.

Unless organisational chaos or a last-minute political twist leads to a fourth cancellation, the president and his enemies – outlawed for the past 26 years – will finally square up at the People's Palace in Kinshasa, where 2,850 delegates have been invited.

The opponents want effectively to stage a civilian coup and a popular trial of what anti-Mobutu activists in America call his 26-year "kleptocracy". One of the conference organisers, a supporter of a moderate opposition party, said: "Inevitably there will be a lot of dirty linen, but why not? No one can deny that this country has been looted for years. But the aim is to find a system which ensures a minimum level of competence in government."

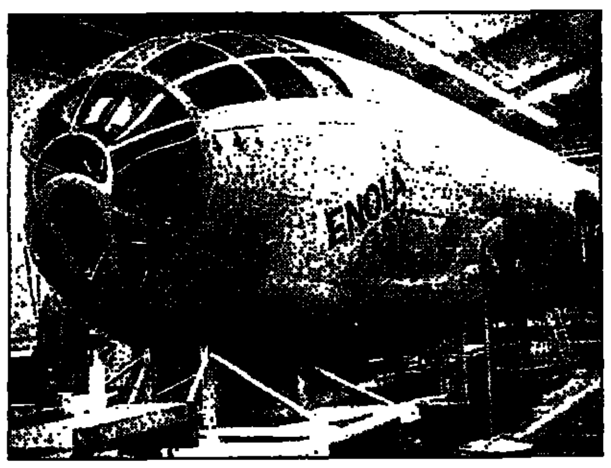
The Mobutu camp says that, over the years, his enemies have without exception enriched themselves from his rule. "There is not one of them who turned down the money, the houses or the jobs," one of the president's closest aides said. "We have plenty to tell the conference as well."

Few are betting on the outcome of the experiment with democracy. Some say that both camps might prefer to stifle revelations and stitch together a national unity government to stage elections.

Remembrance day: prayers in Hiroshima's peace memorial park yesterday, the 46th anniversary of the atomic attack

Flying into Hiroshima furore

From SUSAN ELLICOTT IN WASHINGTON


Taking shape: the partly restored Enola Gay

FORTY-six years after it dropped the first atomic bomb on a populated area, the Enola Gay is slowly becoming recognisable in a hangar outside Washington.

As restorers of the B29 try to complete their task before 1995, the 50th anniversary of the attack on Hiroshima, tourists are divided about whether the aircraft, whose bomb killed 130,000 people, should go on display. Tom Crouch, the chairman of the aeronautics division of the National Air and Space Museum in Washington, said that the leaders of the project wanted "to do something thoughtful but not celebratory" in order to mark the date.

Some visitors have said they would prefer to see a replica. Others look forward to the restoration as a fitting reminder of the beginning of the atomic age. The Enola Gay dropped the bomb on August 6, 1945. The attack levelled nine-tenths of its target, its force surprising even the plane's crew. A tape recorded the comments of the pilot, Paul Tibbets, as he turned steeply away to escape the explosion. The mushroom-shaped cloud of boiling dust and debris was "quite beyond what we had expected".

When complete, the Enola Gay — which was named after the pilot's mother — will be too large to fit into the main exhibition hall and is likely to find a home at a new site near Washington's international Dulles airport.

Museum officials say the project is a tribute to an event that eventually led to nuclear disarmament.

Despite continued sensitivity between elderly Japanese and Americans about the bombing, they have contacted their counterparts at Hiroshima's Peace Museum about loans of objects for an exhibition in the summer of 1995 in the American capital.

Arms deal registry nearing approval

By DAVID WATTS
DIPLOMATIC CORRESPONDENT

A REGISTRY of conventional arms transfers should be ready for United Nations approval this autumn after a final negotiating session in London in October.

Britain expects to be able to co-sponsor with Japan the requisite resolution and is hoping for near-unanimity as the five permanent members of the United Nations and the Group of Seven industrialised countries press the merits of the registry with other UN members. A British official said: "This is not a panacea, but we believe it's a step in the right direction."

There seems a good prospect of success. The basis of the proposals has been worked out by an 18-nation panel from countries as disparate as Germany, Zimbabwe and Brazil. The registry has the support of the 12 European Community countries, the Soviet Union is now an enthusiastic backer of the plan, and there is support from China.

The registry would provide for *post facto* notification of weapons' transfers. Notifiable transfers would involve the sale of aircraft, helicopters, artillery, tanks and armoured combat vehicles. After discussion among the permanent UN members, there is hope of an agreement that arms sales by those five nations will be notified before transfer.

Progress in the formulation of the registry coincides with figures from the US Congressional Research Service which show that the total value of arms transfers to the Third World last year was $41.3 billion (£24.1 billion). The United States beat the Soviet Union to head the sales league with orders worth $18.5 billion, up from $12.7 billion in 1989. American sales were boosted by $14.5 billion of contracts with Saudi Arabia, nearly half agreed before the invasion of Kuwait.

Soviet arms sales declined for the third year to $12.1 billion. British arms transfers totalled £1.9 billion.

Japanese minister 'will not resign'

From JOANNA PITMAN IN TOKYO

RYUTARO Hashimoto, the Japanese finance minister, yesterday denied a report that he was to resign over financial scandals that have shaken international confidence in Tokyo's markets.

The *Yomiuri Shimbun* newspaper said that the minister, who has come under criticism for his ministry's lax control of banks and securities houses, would step down at the end of the month. One story has touched Mr Hashimoto personally. His private secretary admitted at the weekend that he had acted as an intermediary in obtaining about £6 million in apparently illegal loans for three of Mr Hashimoto's friends. The minister has apologised for his aide's conduct.

Mauritius poll

Port Louis — Sir Anerood Jugnauth, the prime minister of Mauritius, has dissolved parliament and called a general election for September 15, a year ahead of schedule. The opposition has been calling for elections for months. "It is time to give our people the power to make their choice," Sir Anerood said. *(Reuter)*

HIV cash

Sydney — Joe McCluskey, the catering manager at the Commercial Club in Albury, New South Wales, who was dismissed after telling his employer that he was infected with HIV, the Aids virus, has won an Aus$80,000 (£36,580) out-of-court settlement, his lawyers said. *(Reuter)*

Execution plea

Peking — The son of an elderly couple in Henan province, central China, was sentenced to death after his parents begged police to execute him, the *Farmers' Daily* newspaper said. He was sentenced for raping his sister-in-law, robbery and "running roughshod over the local people", the report said. *(Reuter)*

Marxists loosen ties with ANC

From GAVIN BELL IN JOHANNESBURG

THE Communist party, in an attempt for a share of power in the new South Africa, is preparing to take a separate part in negotiations on a national constitution, easing its militant members away from the African National Congress.

Chris Hani, the chief of staff of the ANC armed wing, Umkhonto we Sizwe, is expected to succeed the long-serving Joe Slovo as general secretary of the Communist party at its national congress in December. Last week, the party formally asked the ANC to relieve Mr Hani of his functions in order to allow him to concentrate on Communist activities. At a press conference yesterday, Mr Hani said the party would request that more of its members be relieved of their ANC duties.

However, he said that he would remain an active member of the ANC national executive committee, and that his move was only a "change in emphasis" to focus on the Communist party's struggle for socialism in South Africa.

Jeremy Cronin, the Communist spokesman, said earlier that the party felt it needed a charismatic black figure in its leadership, which is dominated by whites. Mr Slovo was unable to fulfil his responsibilities to the party because of growing commitments to the ANC, having been appointed recently to its constitutional negotiation team.

Meanwhile, the Communists are assiduously recruiting in black townships, and the party is confident of attaining its initial goal of 30,000 members by the end of the year.

The party has traditionally used the ANC as a pool for discreetly recruiting the best and brightest activists, who are believed to constitute at least a third of the 90-member ANC executive committee. It is essentially a parasitic relationship which has served the party well, but is now perceived as obsolete.

A senior Communist source commented: "When a liberation movement smells power, it begins to purge itself of Communists ... some Communists even begin to purge themselves."

He said that at least three members of the ANC executive, notably Thabo Mbeki, the foreign affairs chief, had begun to loosen their ties with the party.

Nelson Mandela, the ANC president, said later: "They (the Communists) will take their own line ... which we will not follow. We won't follow socialism. We have our own programme."

Shorty python's flying circus

From JAMES BONE IN NEW YORK

CARLOS Foster wanted the mayor to start sending cowboys on horseback into poor neighbourhoods to teach children about Aids.

Jim Power, the self-styled "Mosaic Man", thought the city should pave the Avenue of the Americas, which sweeps through lower Manhattan, with broken glass and shattered plates as a tourist attraction.

Shorty the python, a 16ft snake, just sought a city licence to work with his photographer friend on the promenade at Coney Island.

All three were among a crowd of 2,000 who turned up at New York's City Hall on Monday for Mayor David Dinkins' experiment in participatory democracy. Beset by cash problems, Mr Dinkins, the city's first black mayor, went on television last week to invite New Yorkers to call at his office to discuss their problems. What he got was more like a circus troupe.

Mary Forrester, a classical dancer by trade, arrived dressed as a giant Easter bunny to present her suggestion that the city government human resources administration should be scrapped in favour of what she called "grassroots" organisations.

Aaron Kay, a "yippie" radical who earned his 15 minutes of fame by throwing custard pies at well-known people in the 1960s, announced: "I am here to lay the verbal pie, man." And all the time, a man who was clad in red down to his shoes and carrying a placard introducing him as "Mr Crack" raged against the scourge of crack cocaine. "Crack! Crack! All your kids, crackheads," he screamed.

Despite Mr Dinkins's open-door invitation, the waiting New Yorkers had to fill in a vetting form to see the mayor. As well as a plethora of cranky ideas, the forms, headed "My idea to improve city government", contained some legitimate proposals.

Takeenya Bryant, aged 11, of Manhattan, suggested a "trash for cash" scheme in which people could buy rubbish bags for 25 cents and return them full for 50 cents. James Lebenthal, a municipal bond broker, proposed that New York should sell $250 bonds instead of the present $5,000 (£2,900) denomination so that small investors could take a stake in the city.

Dan Gould wanted the mayor to ban traffic during the day south of 96th Street, turning midtown and lower Manhattan into a giant pedestrian precinct. Linda Erickson, a student, said that every city resident should spend two years in a social services corps.

Only 40 New Yorkers got in to see Mr Dinkins. His first guest, at about 9.30am, had been waiting on the steps of City Hall since 5.30am. Coreen Browne broke into tears when she finally got to tell Mr Dinkins about the leaking sewer that was flooding her basement apartment in Brooklyn.

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The gospel of self-regulation

The Press Complaints Commission hopes to gain a higher profile with the release of its first six-month report. Melinda Wittstock reports

Eighteen months is a very short period to persuade politicians and a doubting public that the worst abuses of the national tabloid press can be *curbed through* continued press self-regulation.

The task is even more daunting if, as some suggest, newspaper readers are not aware of how and where to complain about newspaper coverage or conduct, let alone the issues that will ultimately determine whether centuries of press freedom from government control will come to an end next June, when the government will decide whether to introduce statutory regulations.

With just ten months now left for the industry to demonstrate the effectiveness of self-regulation and avoid the *statutory controls* threatened in June 1990 by the government-appointed Calcutt committee, the Press Complaints Commission (PCC) is planning a campaign to alert politicians and the public to its complaints procedure and code of conduct, and also to its performance so far.

On September 11 the commission, which replaced the Press Council last January, will issue a report outlining its complaints and adjudications up until the end of June. The commission has been criticised for its low profile, particularly compared with Lord Rees-Mogg's Broadcasting Standards Council, the statutory arbiter of taste and decency on radio and television. "Its [the PCC's] low profile has prevented anyone outside from making a real assessment of the success or otherwise of the commission," says Louis Blom-Cooper, QC, the former Press Council chairman.

Next month, however, the PCC will tackle its critics with an advertising campaign about its activities in all newspapers that agree to devote it free space.

A pamphlet, containing guidance to those wishing to complain, is also being prepared for distribution next month to Citizen's Advice Bureaux, law centres, libraries and public voluntary organisations. MPs will also receive glossy brochures.

> *'We need more analysis in the press of the fundamental issues which affect newspapers'*

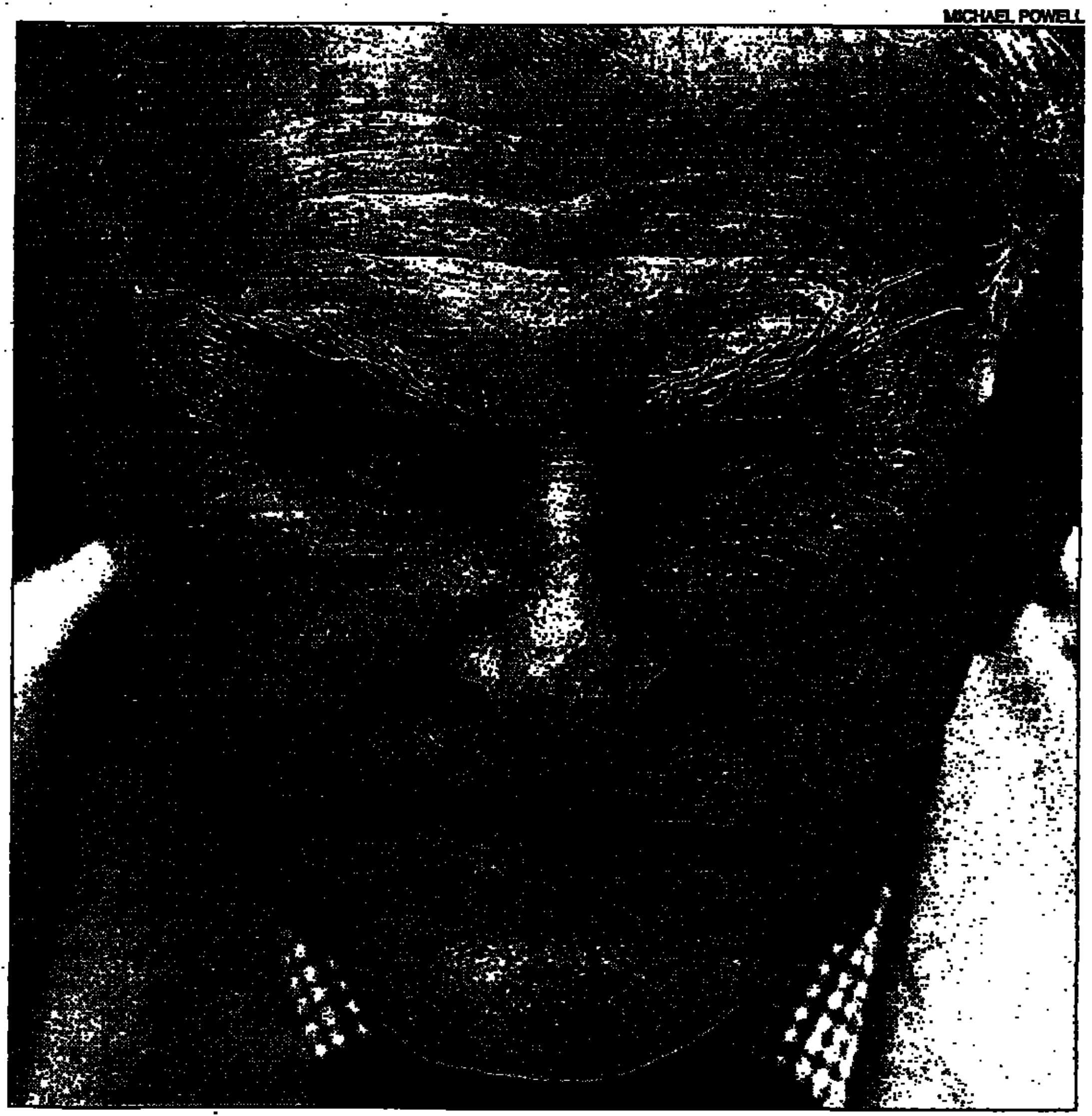
Lord McGregor of Durris, the PCC chairman, plans to continue to publicise the commission's activities and advocate continued self-regulation. Over the summer, he has been meeting editors and a variety of voluntary bodies, and plans a number of local radio and television appearances.

Lack of press coverage of individual adjudications, except in those newspapers against which complaints have been upheld, will be combated with monthly complaints bulletins detailing the handling and outcome of all com*plaints and drawing attention to* trends and issues.

"We need more analysis in the press of the fundamental issues which affect newspapers fundamentally, such as what is and what is not in the public interest," Lord McGregor says. "Not one newspaper piece has discussed the validity or invalidity of any complaint."

Patsy Chapman, the editor of *News of the World* and a member of the PCC, says: "We will report other adjudications only if they are scandalous or interesting to our readers. Many are pretty hum*drum.* Why *should I bore my* readers?"

Lord McGregor is cautiously optimistic that the threat of statutory control has diminished, pointing to a decline in the number of complaints about invasion of privacy lodged with the commission in its first six months of operation. The PCC received 714 complaints, compared with 818 received by the Press Council in the same period last year, adjudicating 18 compared with the council's 84. Just ten complaints have been upheld, with only *The News of the World* falling foul of privacy guidelines in what the PCC ruled was a "vendetta" against the Labour MP Clare Short.



MICHAEL POWELL

Regulating self-regulation: Lord McGregor believes the threat of statutory control may be diminishing

Lord McGregor says tabloid editors have become more responsible, and that all editors have become more willing to cooperate with the commission, giving evidence although complainants no longer need waive their rights to libel. This, he says, has enabled many complaints to be settled outside the adjudication process.

The government has given no indication of what criteria it will employ next summer to measure the success of the PCC, although Lord McGregor believes that "statutory control will be avoided only if newspapers do not repeat the same or similar breaches of the code, particularly when it comes to invasion of privacy."

However, the outcome of any government deliberations could ultimately depend on which party is in power. "As long as complaints are dealt with quickly and fairly and newspapers do not repeat their errors, the Tories will not introduce any legislation," Lord McGregor says. "As for Labour, I haven't met anyone who can tell me what their policy actually is. It changes depending who you talk to in the party."

Ken Morgan, the PCC's director, has warned the press against complacency. "I don't think the threat [of statutory regulation] will ever go away. Proprietors and editors need to be constantly reminded how near we came to statutory control."

MEDIA WATCH

Scottish Spectrum

THE editor of *Scotland on Sunday*, Andrew Jaspan, is looking at plans to change his paper's arts and features Spectrum section, currently broadsheet, to a quality colour tabloid. A dummy will be shown to advertising agencies this week. Today the newspaper, which Mr Jaspan calls "the only quality Sunday national produced outside London", celebrates three years of publication with a party in Edinburgh's Assembly Rooms. *Scotland on Sunday*'s latest circulation is 72,941. During the Edinburgh festival, which starts on Saturday, *Scotland on Sunday* will publish three colour tabloid supplements.

World music

WITH 320,000 British subscribers, the American-produced *National Geographic* magazine would certainly be one of the top ten best-selling British monthlies if it were included in the ABC figures. Its nearest competitor is *World Magazine*, part of a stable which includes the *Geographical Magazine* and *BBC Wildlife*, published by BBC Magazines. *World Magazine*, a monthly, recently appointed Peter Crookston, a former editor of the *Observer* magazine, as its editor, and will be relaunched in October with the added strapline "the Magazine of Mankind". *World Magazine* has a long way to go: its circulation is about 40,000.

Agency moves

BARRY Williams, the editorial director of the *Nottingham Evening Post*, will meet Dan Hewitt, the deputy editor of Edinburgh's *Evening News*, in Nottingham today to discuss the next phase of plans to establish a national news agency to rival the Press Association. Mr Williams drew up the initial feasibility study for the project; Mr Hewitt has been seconded from Thomson Regional Newspapers to work on it full-time in preparation for a meeting at the *Birmingham Post and Mail* on August 23, which will be attended by 20 regional editors.

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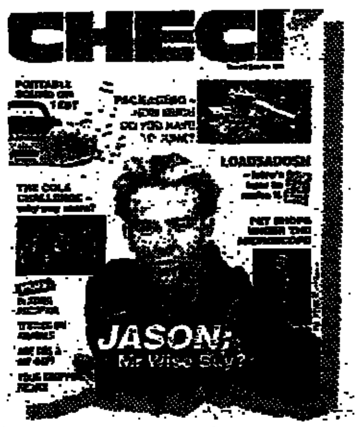
Which way to turn now?

How the Consumers' Association is coping with the recession



How teenagers can *Check It Out*

THE Consumers' Association, best known for its monthly magazine *Which?*, is looking to young teenagers to counter the recession, which has caused it to lose a fifth of its subscribers in the past year and forced it to make 36 of its 480 staff compulsorily redundant.

Tests on ghetto blasters and colas feature in the pilot issue of the association's new title, *Check It Out*, which began test marketing this month. John Beishon, the chief executive of the association, says the magazine is aimed at 11 to 15-year-olds. He hopes for 30,000 subscribers if and when the magazine becomes generally available.

In October the association introduces another product, the *Which?* Information Point (WIP), a terminal which will provide subscribers with updated consumer information on products such as refrigerators and washing machines at their point of sale. The WIPs will initially be tested at eight hypermarkets around Britain. If successful, they will go nationwide next spring.

Other ideas include recycling the vast amount of Consumer Association research into a magazine or partwork which will be sold in newsagents, a gardening video, and computer products to add to its well-received TAXcalc software package for taxpayers.

The association's search for new products reflects a setback in its proven and sophisticated direct marketing methods. It spends £10 million, or a fifth of its income, on advertising and promotion. Normally it can predict the response. But replies have fallen 18 per cent this year. The association is also suffering from fewer renewals than expected. As a result, *Which?* subscriptions have fallen from more than a million to 792,400 over the past year.

Now the association has been forced to cut 1991 expenditure by £3 million. It will not move to new headquarters in Milton Keynes. Among the staff being made redundant are two assistant directors. The National Union of Journalists and the Manufacturing, Science and Finance union, which represent about 80 per cent of the employees, say the association failed to predict the effects of the recession and ask why voluntary redundancies were not requested. Mr Beishon replies: "We've cut back everywhere we can. If we hadn't done what we had, we'd be running at a £7-8 million loss by 1995."

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Taste and the cooking class

Young Britons are raised on junk food.

Timothy Rice reports on a bold plan to school them in the art of 'decent' eating

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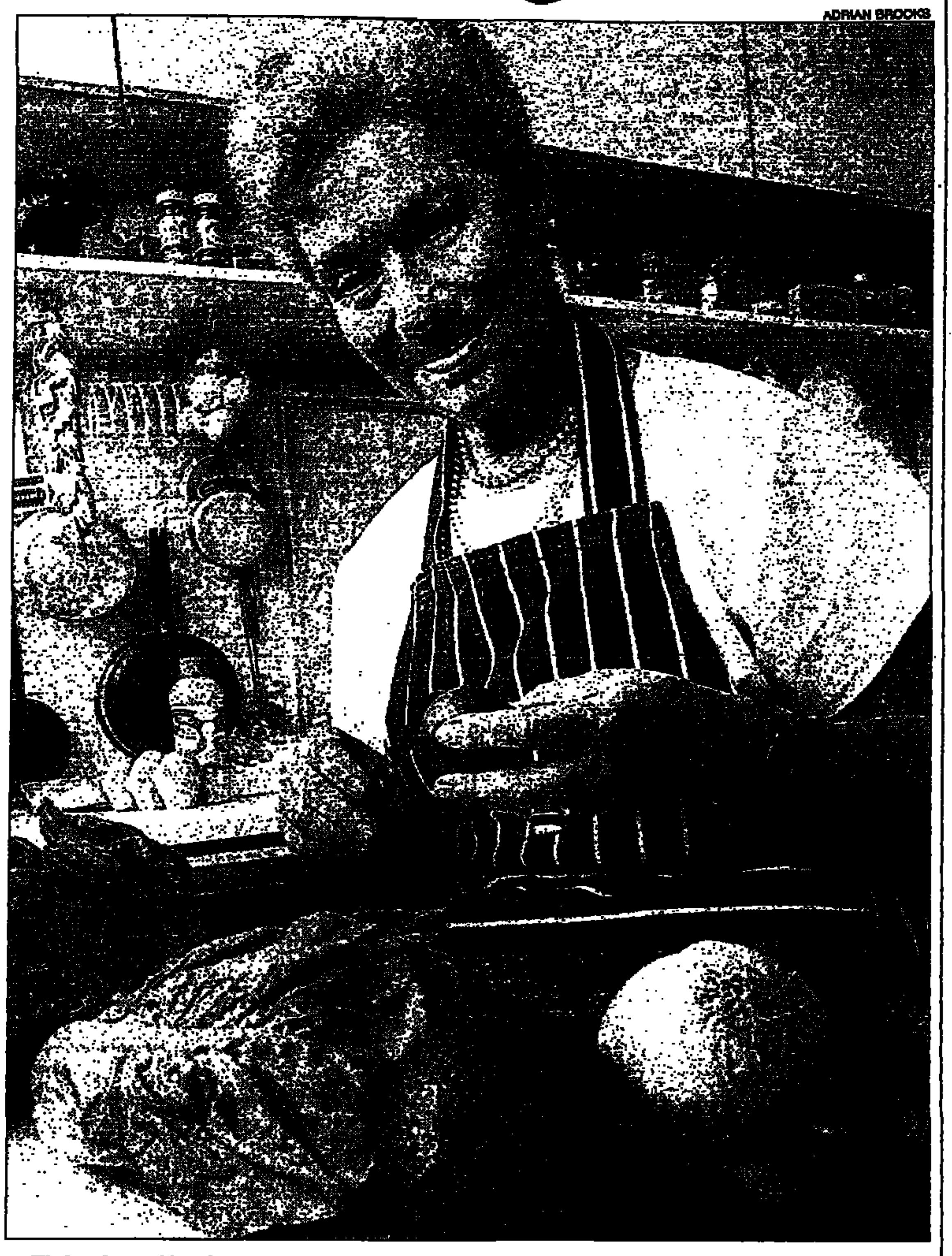

Kitchen drama: Kate Catleugh says our poor diet is "a question of education, and nothing to do with income"

The relationship between the British and their food has been more a marriage of convenience than an affair of passion. Compared with some of their European neighbours, many people in this country have practically no culinary tradition, know little about home cooking and are not discriminating shoppers.

Some regret this national philistinism. They cherish a vision of the family once more sitting round the table in the evening over a home-cooked meal, and long for people to know more about food history, and think more highly of cooking as a skill.

Others are taking a more robust approach, by targeting specific groups for re-education. This week a paper from Digby Anderson, a food columnist for *The Spectator* and the director of the Social Affairs Unit, argued that the government is wasting its money on welfare benefits if low-income families are "incompetent" when it comes to managing their budgets, especially for food. Dr Anderson expanded on the by now familiar theme that money could be better spent on cheap, nutritious ingredients such as liver and pulses rather than on convenience foods.

Kate Catleugh, a restaurateur, has come up with a new and less discriminatory plan for changing British attitudes to food, by making it an acceptable subject for study. While she agrees that appealing, healthy food is often inexpensive, she rejects a link between lack of shopping competence and lack of money. "It is a question of education, and nothing to do with income," says Mrs Catleugh, who is the joint-owner of the Narrow Gauge restaurant in the City of London which offers low-calorie, additive-free haute cuisine. Believing that food education has to start early, she devised an educational course called Food for Thought, and sought out a school likely to welcome innovation.

She found it in the new city technology college (CTC) which will open its doors at Wandsworth, southwest London, in September. The project director of ADT, the electronics and security company which sponsors the college, was impressed enough to incorporate Food for Thought into the design and technology curriculum from the start, and could see possibilities for linking up with other core subjects. He also felt that as one of the government's shop-window secondary education institutions, the CTC would be playing its part in supporting healthy, responsible eating as recommended in the green paper, "The Health of the Nation".

But the course is not confined to the classroom. As well as acting as adviser to the course, Mrs Catleugh is to manage the college's kitchen, to see that what is cooked up in theory in lessons is put into practice when people head for the canteen. Students may also find themselves doing work experience there. Each day there will be at least one Food for Thought dish on the menu.

As an émigrée from Hungary, with its distinctive culinary culture, Mrs Catleugh feels she is in a position to take a detached view of the British attitude to food. She says she has often been appalled by our willingness to accept anything if it is easy, "with little reference to what is in the food, and a lack of interest in creating something out of fresh food. If nobody at home cooks, it's not surprising."

> *'In our society cooking is not seen as a first-class profession. Children don't have the interest. They go for law or accountancy'*

In the college kitchens she will provide "balanced, fashionably cooked, additive-free, decent food", and through the course she hopes to "broaden children's experience of food so that they become adventurous, discerning parents and consumers. The prerequisite is to provide the incentive and the interest to change attitudes," Mrs Catleugh says. "It could be too late to get at the parents, but the course may well reach the children."

Home economics in the classroom has tried to shake off its image of attracting lower achievers in the later stages of secondary school. But Mrs Catleugh wants to see a radically different approach. The CTC students will learn about the history of food in Britain, from the Romans to roghan josh, and will look at geographical and religious variations in food practice, something barely touched on in schools today. Creativity in presentation and choice of dish, how "we are what we eat", nutrition and hygiene, and discerning shopping jostle for places on the syllabus. Mrs Catleugh also cherishes a desire to re-establish conversational skills through family meals, a quaint notion redolent of an age before microwaves and TV dinners. Students will think up a special occasion meal, then cook it and serve it at home.

But is all this what students need, or want to be taught? Are the Nineties, with their packed leisure time, their orientation towards convenience, their "eating on the hoof", unsuited to this sophisticated approach? David Foskett, an educationalist and the author of textbooks on teaching cookery, is impressed with the way the healthy eating concept carries through from the classroom to the canteen. "It's innovative and just what is needed now," he says, "because the average person doesn't have the knowledge to cook properly. People don't know how to store supermarket food or reheat it. In our society cooking is not seen as a first-class profession, and it does not have the status that it has in France. Children in schools don't have the interest. They go instead for law or accountancy."

Peter Bazalgette, the producer of BBC's *Food and Drink* programme, agrees that such a move is long overdue. "Food is as significant to your life as maths. And part of the enjoyment is getting the family round the table to eat."

He believes there are promising signs for developing a food culture, even in Britain. More than five million viewers watch *Food and Drink*, he points out; "if you show them something that appeals, the next day they descend on the shops like locusts. The potential is there, and it can be unlocked very easily."

Dr Anderson also sees the potential benefit of such a course. "It is encouraging, as we need some thought about what should be done to teach people. One of the troubles about home economics in schools is that it was a Cinderella subject which became vocationalised. But this has to be taught for use at home. The key point is how to get skills translated into habit, so it becomes effortless."

Well-motivated CTC students could soon find that school canteen food, far from dulling their taste buds for life, whets their appetite for learning about the pleasures of food.

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Breakfast at the Treasury

Straight talking governed the agenda at the minister's women-only meetings

THE female executive's habitat is often less glamorous than the male's. The Whitehall office of the first female minister of state at the Treasury, for example, is large and pretty awful.

The half dozen potted plants Gillian Shephard has bought cannot disguise the heavy-duty hessian on the walls of a colour which defies simple description: mustard mixed with tomato ketchup is close. Nicholas Ridley had the hessian put on to hide the green paint of a former occupant, Nigel Lawson, although Mr Lawson's large grass-green leather armchairs and moss-coloured sofa are still in situ on the rust-brown carpet.

Male executives invariably demand new fixtures and fittings when they move into an office, seeing it as a strategy for demonstrating power.

Mrs Shephard says she does not have the "pizzazz" to waltz in and demand a total refurbishment. At the first of two breakfast meetings which Mrs Shephard held in her office recently, one of the "top women" she invited to discuss the country's economy suggested that women do not indulge in such distracting tactics because they are keener to get down to business. No doubt this assessment will irritate those who have already made snide remarks about Mrs Shephard's girls-only get-togethers.

Coffee break: Gillian Shephard

The *Financial Times* commented that they sounded "like another vote-catching publicity stunt". But as Kay Coleman, the chief executive of an Oldham clothing company, pointed out in the *FT* letters column, if the Chancellor had invited a group of businessmen for discussion on the economy, no one would have raised a grey eyebrow.

"That sort of snide comment is a bit *vieux jeu* now," says the minister. "Anyway, blow them, we are going to carry on. I am setting up breakfast meetings exclusively for women in Edinburgh and Glasgow, Cornwall and the northwest — in fact, all over the country."

Last week Angela Rumbold, the Home Office minister and the chair of the government's ministerial working group on women, announced her plan to set up an informal advisory group to seek out the views of women such as young mothers, shop assistants and nurses, and to hear about their problems.

Mrs Shephard says she chose to talk to groups of businesswomen because "I wanted to hear from people who are succeeding or, indeed, having difficulties. As a Treasury minister you are always listening to what bankers and businessmen say, but I thought it would be extra interesting to talk to women because there are three times the number of self-employed women that there were in 1979, and the whole scene for women in business is being transformed." Over a continental breakfast, served at 8.15am, the "top women" sat around the polished oval table in Mrs Shephard's office discussing interest rates, tax concessions, bubbles and blips until 9.30am.

She admits that she was ambivalent about making the business breakfasts women-only. "I work with men almost exclusively and I am very used to it. But what I was struck by is the women's directness. It was quite difficult bringing it all to an end, there was so much going on."

By that stage what was going on was a new agenda full of interior decorating suggestions, any one of which would be an improvement.

HEATHER KIRBY

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Trusty catalogue

AN EXQUISITE, limited-edition, embroidered christening robe and an exclusive collection of knitwear are among new items in the latest National Trust catalogue, which will be posted automatically to members in September. Non-members may request one, free of charge, also to arrive in September. The christening robe, recreated from that made for the christening of Philip Yorke in 1849, is at £150 the most expensive item in the catalogue. It is made of fine cotton calico and trimmed with Nottingham lace. The knitwear was designed by students in the fashion and design department of Trent polytechnic, using pure wool from Beatrix Potter's favourite Herdwick sheep which graze on National Trust land in the Lake District. Their wool is tough and hard-wearing, and has also been fashioned into a rugged range of carpets. For a copy of the catalogue write to the National Trust, 36 Queen Anne's Gate, London SW1H 9AS (071-222 9251).

Body matters

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Glass masters

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Putting a constructive view on destruction?

An exhibition of photographs showing the Iraqi devastation of Kuwait has moved and bemused visitors

Tourists struggling away from the Tower of London clutching their ice-creams and plastic Beefeaters have been greeted in the past few days by a banner across the road saying "Saddam's Crimes against Kuwait" and a sign pointing to the World Trade Centre. Those who have followed the sign have been greeted by a rather bizarre exhibition of photographs of Gulf war atrocities which is being held in the lobby of the building.

The exhibition has been arranged by the Kuwaiti government and has provided a cool haven for weary tourists, as well as Londoners in their lunch hours. It has also stirred memories of a time when Britain was at war and *Neighbours* was usurped by Jonathan Dimbleby.

There are 350 photographs, all taken the week after the liberation of Kuwait, showing the vandalism of Saddam Hussein on the hydro-electric plants, the satellite transmission centres and the oil fields. Most of the photographs are eerily empty of people.

Stuart Broughton, a student at Manchester university, had slipped into the World Trade Centre to find a cold drink when he stumbled on the exhibition. "It's odd," he said. "It's all very impersonal but I think it sums up what the war was all about: the destruction of oil fields, smart hotels and vast wealth. The war wasn't about people, it was about assets. I wish they wouldn't play this music, though. I feel I'm in an expensive lingerie shop."

Robert Nesbitt, a merchant banker, had been at a business meeting at the Tower Hotel when the banner caught his eye. "I know I should be thinking, isn't this all appalling? But all I can think is this must be a dream for the construction industry. I hope the British have won some of the contracts," he said.

Clutching her invitation from Free Kuwait (the group set up by Kuwaiti exiles in London to press for the liberation of their country), which she joined during the war, Catherine Kennington, a retired occupational therapist, was treating herself to a day out. "People forget too fast," she said. "They have already forgotten the Gulf war and they will soon forget Yugoslavia. I like to be reminded of what we went through. It's like those pictures of the East End after the Blitz."

Barnaby and Sadie Bates were over from Los Angeles for a holiday with their son Winston, who fought in the US army in the Gulf, and their three other children. They visited the Tower first and then saw the banner. "I thought it would be a way of sharing the experience with my son. But none of the pictures is of the battle, which I find odd," Mr Bates said. "These Kuwaitis are like spoilt kids. So what if their toys got broken? At least they got their country back."

"The man was out of order": a soldier views the exhibition

His ten-year-old daughter, Virginia, solemnly walked among the exhibits. The dead donkey, she decided, was disgusting. "If they did that to animals what were they doing to people?" she said. "We used to talk about it a lot at school but now it's all stopped and we're doing the homeless." Her little brother and sister pretended to be aeroplanes to the sound of gunfire from the video showing the first hours of the Iraqi invasion into Kuwait.

The only soldiers at the exhibition were spectators. Sergeant Trevor Hallum and Private Michael Payne, of the third battalion of the Parachute Regiment, had not been sent to the Gulf. "The man was out of order," Sergeant Hallum said. "The Falklands war was nothing like this. This is just mindless violence."

A room in one corner is covered in black and draped in the Kuwaiti flag. On the outside a small sign reads: "Kuwaiti Martyrs and the Instruments of Torture". Lucy White dragged her friend to it straight away. A secretary for Chapman and Co insurance brokers on the fourth floor, she had been spending all her lunch hours at the exhibition.

"These pictures are disgusting but it makes you think, doesn't it?" she said. Her friend, dazed by the pictures of men's charred torsos and twisted limbs, said: "Have they got Saddam or is he still hiding? I think they should find him and kill him. I reckon there is much more stuff than this that he has done."

Lounging in front of two video screens was a group of blond-eyelashed Germans eating from lunchboxes and watching pictures that looked like a warped travel brochure, with images of beaches covered in oil and half-sunken pleasure cruisers. "The war was important for you here. In Germany it was not of great interest," Pieter Pohl said.

Henry Goulding, aged 23, was unemployed and had come to the exhibition from west London because it was free and sounded interesting. "It's important to remind people of the level of destruction that Saddam carried out," he said. "But I can't help thinking that the Kuwaitis are probably doing some pretty nasty things to the Palestinians, so I am not that sympathetic."

Amer Al-Sowayan, a senior official at the Kuwaiti ministry of information, flitted among the visitors pointing to a picture of vandalism or asking people to sign the visitors' book. The exhibition was his idea. "We wanted to think of a way to say thank you to the British people. To say this is what you saved us from and maybe also to point out that we are still suffering," he said. "You can go back to your homes but ours have been destroyed."

ALICE THOMSON

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THEATRE

Down with the red flag and up with the curtain

The Edinburgh Festival, beginning on Saturday, salutes the theatre of Eastern Europe.

Roger Boyes, *The Times*'s Poland correspondent, takes a look beneath the greasepaint

Perhaps it is the pickled herring or the beef as pliant as a policeman's boot, but there are few actors nowadays in the once bustling restaurant of the Warsaw actors' club. The fact is, few Polish actors can afford restaurant meals any more, and the spicy gossip, the job-broking and backstage anecdotage have to be confined to private parties where the costs are lower. There you can hear the familiar litany: the theatre is in crisis, there is no future in the stage, curtains down.

Market forces have hit Eastern Europe as surely as the West. Declining box-office returns, the vagaries of tourist audiences, producers with limited stamina, legions of underpaid actors for every high-priced star: West and East converge in theatrical crisis. And yet the situation is not quite as hopeless as it seems to those in the frontline. The companies coming to the Edinburgh Festival (which starts on Saturday), hope to show that there are still important things to be said in the East.

First, it does not do to discount the liberating effects of the 1989 revolutions. The scenario generally applied to the arts in Eastern Europe nowadays runs as follows: the communist censors squeezed out all but the most mediocre. This in turn stimulated the truly talented. Film-makers spun brilliant allegories which addressed the political and social dilemmas of captive societies. Poets found large underground audiences that grasped every nuance, while the theatre explored the absurd and dug out superficially harmless classics that could be used as a vehicle to mock the Russians, or the leaders of the day. Then communism collapsed and so did the web of state subsidies. Cinemas filled with commercial Western films, elbowing aside homemade products; publishers concentrated on Frederick Forsyth, Jackie Collins and Robert Ludlum; theatres turned to musicals, erotic comedies and pantomimes. A story, in short, that has an open rather than a happy ending.

But the formula only applies up to a point. Romania, for example, was a theatrical desert in the Ceausescu era. But six months after the 1989 revolution, Andrei Serban — who served his apprenticeship with Peter Brook in Paris — replaced the Ceausescu stooge, Radu Beligan, as artistic director of Bucharest's national theatre. The effect was immediate: first the casts, then the audiences were challenged by modern British, American and French plays. For the first time in more than two decades, Romanian theatre had a cosmopolitan feel about it. With playwright Václav Havel as president, there were never serious fears in Czechoslovakia that the theatre in Prague would sink into any morass of commercialism. Milan Uhde, the Czech culture minister, is also a clever playwright. His *Annunciation* last year was typical of the blend of politics and satire that keeps Czech theatres going. It is a farce that features Karl Marx, who makes pregnant his housemaid. Marx is driven to asking his friend Engels how to conceal the pregnancy, and small lies lead, as in Marxist-Leninism, to ever larger lies. And so, with a touch of Brian Rix, Uhde arrived at a commercially successful political play.

'Market forces hit Eastern Europe as surely as the West: they converge in theatrical crisis'

The most important effect of the anti-communist revolutions has been to unite *émigré* with home-grown dissident culture. Many of the great exiled Polish talents — the satirist Slawomir Mrozek, the director Jerzy Grotowski, the poet Czeslaw Milosz — have returned to the mainstream, are studied in drama school and taught in college. Plays banned under communism have been unearthed. The Czechs found Kafka again and the Romanians rediscovered Paul Goma and Eugène Ionesco.

Young playwrights complain that these prodigal talents are edging them out of the theatres: a theatre management would rather put on a Mrozek play, with its guaranteed audience, than risk a first-timer. The benign influence of returning exiles, however, far outweighs the neglect of the young. The Poznan director Lech Raczak has brought a refreshing gusto to the Polish stage by returning to Poland with his Theatre of the Eighth Day. This politically active company was pushed to the fringes by the communist authorities and was eventually forced to perform abroad. "For a while we were tormented by the fact that we had no home," says Raczak, "but we found consolation, had an adventure and saw things that people can only dream about." But Raczak has a sober message for the new theatre in Eastern Europe: "People in Poland tend to forget we are no longer spiritually interesting to the West. Spiritually we still belong to pre-war Europe, or even that of the 19th century. But *that* Europe no longer exists and we have become anachronistic." There is, then, a need to inject something of the modern into the post-communist theatre, and not just fight old battles, like disappointed generals around a sandpit.

The piquancy of mocking or directly challenging authoritarian regimes has given way to a theatre of self-doubt. In the Czech theatre, especially, the *Good Soldier Schweik* element is in the fore: "We muddled our way through communism, runs this line of thought, and now we muddle our way through post-communism and pre-capitalism. There is only one certainty: muddle."

But in Slovakia there is an altogether different mood. There, Slovak national traditions are being excavated. The Bratislava theatre was built in 1886, a fine Habsburg building with a 1970s socialist-brutalist administration office attached. It has very good acoustics, and so the Slovak theatrical revival has concentrated on opera.

The theatre is still subsidised but demonstrates that, with good management, such help need not be wasteful. The bass baritone Juraj Hrubant explained: "From a small budget — $500,000 (£298,000), most of which is subsidy — we are producing good theatre and lots of it: 160 opera performances a year and two dozen works in our repertoire."

The nationalist revival in Slovakia has boosted Bratislava audiences. A similar trend is expected eventually to emerge in other separatist-inclined societies, such as Slovenia, where a gifted Dante translator, Andrej Capuder, has been appointed culture minister.

As Uhde points out frequently, the commercialisation of theatre need not lead to a complete artistic collapse. The search is on for private sponsors who will let directors do what they want. Poland has its first privately backed musical, *Metro*, which despite mixed reviews has been drawing large audiences for months. Now there is even talk of Broadway. Promotion can also help, though this, too, is a new skill to be learned.

The studio theatre scored a box-office hit with *Tamara*, about the Thirties' painter Tamara de Lempicka. The play involved several set changes and was specifically targeted at a dress-up *nouveau riche* audience rather than the usual student or intellectual theatre-goers. Tickets were priced at ten pounds — compared to the usual one pound or less — and it became the talk of the Warsaw season. Some directors tut-tutted. Neither *Metro* nor *Tamara* represented an artistic betrayal, but they did deploy marketing gimmicks, advertised widely and deliberately sought out a wealthy middlebrow audience. That, perhaps, is the future of the new commercial theatre in the East.

The market trims. Postwar communist authorities set a target of constructing a theatre in every small town, to bring socialist culture to the people. Local administrators regarded a theatre as an important status symbol: it converted a big village into a small town. Nowadays these buildings have become youth centres or are rented out for a few days a month.

This is not a tragedy, it merely concentrates talent. One inevitable consequence, though, is high unemployment in the acting profession. Private actors' agencies are starting up. But with fewer films being made and theatres cutting costs, competition is acute.

The financial problems are the result of a combination of subsidy cuts, competition from television and the recession. But there are other factors: in Czechoslovakia, the communist-backed trades unions used to buy blocks of theatre tickets at a discount and give them away free to their members. That has stopped. East European theatre companies have become adept at cutting overheads and finding ways of using theatres during the day: bingo sessions, children's matinees.

Official money for theatres now comes mainly from local government. That can be dangerous. Promising companies such as the Martin Company, represented at Edinburgh this year, are often based in depressed townships. Martin, in Slovakia, is dominated by a tank factory, which is laying off thousands. And there is already local political pressure on theatre companies. The council in Opole, in Polish Silesia, engineered the sacking of a respected director on the grounds that he had once belonged to the communist party.

Poland at the Edinburgh Festival: Theatre Cricot II in Tadeusz Kantor's *Today is My Birthday*

CLASSICAL MUSIC

Finale marred by dissonance

Conductor Jane Glover feels that leaving the London Mozart Players is breaking her heart, as she tells **Richard Morrison**

PETER TRIEVNOR

Jane Glover: ambition beneath the cool exterior

Putting aside those conductors who actually die on the podium (there have been a few), one is pushed to think of a more dramatic way for conductor and orchestra to part company than that chosen by Jane Glover and the London Mozart Players. Picture how the scene will be in St Paul's Cathedral at around 1am on December 5. Glover will just have completed a great bicentennial commemoration of Mozart's death. The concert, beginning at midnight on the evening of December 4, will open with Mozart's Masonic Funeral Music: "Just to get everybody in the mood," says Glover dryly.

Then come readings from Dame Judi Dench and Simon Callow. Finally, Glover will conduct Mozart's Requiem. It is timed to finish 200 years, to the hour, after Mozart died — give or take the vagaries of Greenwich Mean Time and the Julian Calendar.

Glover will lay down her baton and face the LMP, whose artistic director she has been since 1984. What will she say? A less tightly corseted personality than hers would surely utter three little words: "Now get stuffed."

For the fact is that Glover, having lifted the LMP out of a torpor of insipidity in the early 1980s, is parting company after what in effect has been a bitter breakdown of trust between herself and the LMP management. "I haven't said a word all year, and it would be inappropriate to start now," she says of her reasons for quitting. "It's obviously not a happy decision. In fact, it breaks my heart."

The irony is that Glover's heart has been broken when it should have been bursting with pride. In Mozart's bicentenary year, the LMP has won a hatful of prestige engagements. The Requiem in St Paul's will end a seven-month, round-Britain Mozart tour sponsored by Volkswagen: one of several lucrative sponsorships netted by the orchestra recently. This Sunday, Glover conducts at the Proms. And the year includes tours of the Far East, Europe and South America.

All this represents a pinnacle that seemed far distant in 1984, when Glover came to the LMP needing to prove that she was more than simply "that woman conductor". The description had never been fair. Glover was not the first woman to direct a professional British orchestra: there was Hazel Vivienne at English National Opera (although she did rather spoil the argument by changing sex in mid-career) and Iona Brown, directing the Academy of St Martin-in-the-Fields from the violin.

But Glover was the most prominent. She won attention in 1975 when, still an Oxford student, she directed operas by Cavalli, her specialist study. "When I finished my doctorate I had to make the big decision: which way to go, conducting or academe?"

Glover both embraced the limelight, by choosing conducting, and shunned it, by going to Glyndebourne, initially in a lowly music-staff position. She never pretended to be a pathfinder for women, and gave the impression of resenting the inevitable media questions about clothes, social life, and her unmarried status.

When she arrived at LMP, Glover cut out many players who had been with the orchestra for years. This, she admits, "was incredibly painful, and not just for me". But absolutely necessary. Critics noticed a rejuvenated sound. Her programming, too, was revolutionary: the "Music of Two Decades" series, for instance, ingeniously combined the 1780s with the 1980s.

Most important was the three-year residency that the LMP landed with the London Borough of Croydon. This based Glover and her players in the superb Fairfield Hall acoustics, and also provided a location for education and community work. "Now we have a huge educational programme, covering kids from toddlers to A-levels, and adult education," says Glover.

At the same time, Glover took on other roles. She became the first woman musical director of the Huddersfield Choral Society; she wrote and narrated the BBC TV series *Orchestra*; and became a BBC governor. If her musical interpretations never overwhelmed with their passion, neither did they ever fall below a standard of impeccable competence. Distinguished careers have been founded on less.

The question is, where does this career go now? Glover could guest-conduct: she has just spent several happy weeks supervising parts of Canadian Opera's Mozart series, and followed that with her Vienna debut. But this could become frustrating, particularly in countries where her gender will always be more noticed than her music making. A return to academic life seems out of the question: too much ambition lurks beneath the deceptively cool exterior.

Her next move must be to a symphony orchestra or opera house, probably not in Britain. Wherever she goes, she will find it difficult to exceed the peaks or the troughs of 1991.

The London Mozart Players *are at the Proms this Sunday at the Albert Hall (071-823 9998), 7.30pm. Tickets for the St Paul's Cathedral concert in December are available from Ticketmaster (071-379 4444).*

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GALLERIES

Scottish vision of true virtue

Andrew Gibbon Williams on new plans for a National Gallery of Scottish Art

In the Seventies, Edinburgh's Royal High School was refurbished to house the anticipated Scottish parliament. The building, designed by the Greek Revival architect Thomas Hamilton in the 1820s, is still redundant; a forlorn relic of unfulfilled Scottish political ambition.

But if the return of a parliament to Edinburgh remains a pipe-dream, then — following a press conference in Edinburgh yesterday — an important symbol of cultural autonomy looks likelier to be achieved: a National Gallery of Scottish Art. The campaign to establish such a gallery is spearheaded by Timothy Clifford, director of the National Galleries of Scotland; another later Hamilton building in Edinburgh, the Dean Orphanage, has been earmarked as the gallery's new home.

'At present only 28 per cent of the collection is on show at once'

The idea was first mooted at the Royal Scottish Academy over a century ago. Then in 1975, a report suggested that the Scottish National Portrait Gallery be expanded into a museum of Scottish history. Recent events, though, have made the proposal more pressing. At last year's Edinburgh Festival, "Scotland's Pictures" — an exhibition which assembled for the first time a selection of the National Galleries' Scottish paintings — made a powerful argument in favour of such an institution. The festival sequel this year, "Virtue and Vision", is reappraising Scottish sculpture.

But the background to the project is complex. Not surprisingly, the National Galleries of Scotland possess the finest collection of Scottish art in the world. Lack of space, however, means that only 28 per cent of the 3,000 pictures is on show at any one time, and this meagre representation is dispersed among the National Gallery, the Scottish National Portrait Gallery and the Scottish National Gallery of Modern Art.

The result is that Scottish art gets a poor showing, and Scotland's history as reflected in its art becomes a confused and confusing mess. At the NGS itself, subtle full-length portraits by Sir Henry Raeburn rub shoulders with the historical canvases of Benjamin West and Pompeo Batoni; they are divorced from the context of their relatives in the Portrait Gallery. Raeburn's most influential precursor, Allan Ramsay, is represented in the same building, but his finest male portrait, of David Hume, is at the Portrait Gallery. Nineteenth century Scottish genre and landscape have to make do with sideshow status in a basement extension. At the Portrait Gallery, fine pictures by Scots are debased by poor pictures of Scots. And at the modern art gallery, curators struggle to prevent Scottish modernism from being subsumed by continental movements.

Clifford's proposal means that these difficulties would be ironed out in a chronological, stylistically coherent survey of Scottish art, including drawings, photographs and sculpture. He does not, however, intend to extricate the entire Scottish collection from the three other galleries.

But the bullet of practicality is yet to be bitten. The Scottish Office has come up with £50,000 for the feasibility study on a variety of buildings, with the Dean Orphanage at the top of the list. But as for the capital funding, Clifford and Dr Angus Grossart (the chairman of his board of trustees) are crossing their fingers for a Scottish Sainsbury. Approximately £20 million will be needed to turn their proposal into reality.

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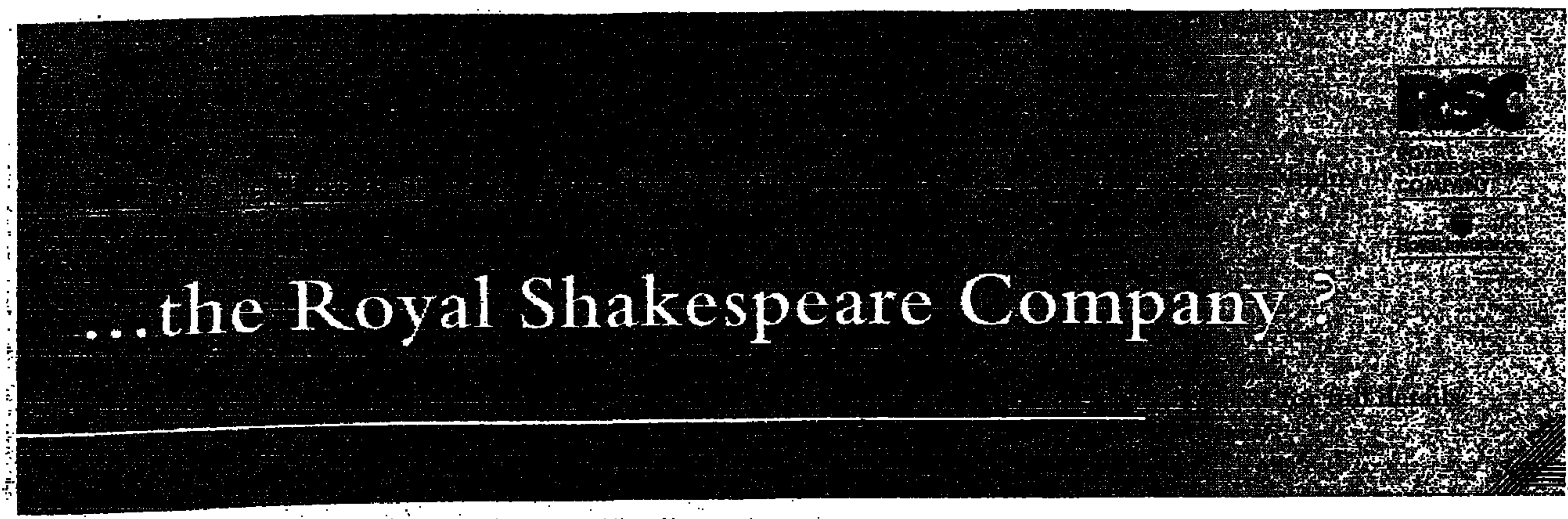
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Martin Jacques

Jams and pollution drive out the ideals of hope and freedom

August is the month of the new car, though this year the recession has rather spoilt the showroom party. The purchase of a new car, however, carries nothing like the significance it once did. In the Fifties and Sixties, when many households acquired cars for the first time, car travel was still an adventure, and car design retained a sense of boldness and statement.

The announcement of a new car was a national event. I remember, when I was a teenager, the launch of the Mini being one of the headlines on *Radio Newsreel*. And the appearance of a new car on the road was a source of considerable public interest. It was impossible to confuse a Mini with a Ford Anglia. Each car had its own look and distinctive personality. And each country made a different genre of car. Citroens could only be French, Fiats only Italian, and the VW Beetle only German.

The roads, too, had character. With motorways still rare, A-roads, B-roads and country lanes predominated. A journey across continental Europe took something of the frontier spirit, with endless form-filling, border crossings, spares in case of breakdown, and a startling variety of road signs and conditions.

Today, cars all look the same and have virtually identical mechanical layouts. The emphasis has shifted from innovative design and personality to minimising costs and ensuring reliability. The great designers like Alec Issigonis and Ferdinand Porsche have long since given way to the computer and the formula. With standardisation has come the erosion of national difference. Italian cars are little different from French ones, and every American and European carmaker aspires to produce a Japanese-style product.

Car travel has gone the same way. Motorways have taken the fun out of driving. A trip from London to Rome is no longer an adventure. You can do virtually the whole journey by motorway, with only the Channel and the Alps for relief.

Motoring is a dreadful case of Euroblandness. The remorseless spread of car ownership has taken the personality out of the car. The resulting homogeneity has been accompanied by tedious attempts to establish difference through niche marketing and endless ranges of barely differentiated models. However, the reality is that cars have become little more than expensive white goods. And people's attitudes towards them are remarkably similar. They expect to own one and they expect it to be reliable. Otherwise they take it for granted.

One important difference, however, cannot be ignored. Mass car ownership has extremely undesirable side-effects. In the Sixties, the car was a symbol not simply of adventure but of freedom. Previously undreamt-of mobility was available at the turn of an ignition key. In the Nineties, the car has acquired a different significance. If the Mini suggested open roads, the Ford Sierra suggests congestion. If the Mini gave urban dwellers access to the countryside, its modern equivalents are associated with pollution and the greenhouse effect.

Once, the car was seen as an unqualified good; now, it is widely regarded as a problem. From adventure to routine, from individuality to standardisation, from freedom to threat: it is extraordinary what a difference three decades can make in the life of a consumer item with four wheels. By the time we get around to "J" again in twenty years or so, I suspect the car will be even more bland and its use greatly restricted.

The importance of being absolutely Frank

Peter Stothard meets a gay Democrat still influential despite a scandal

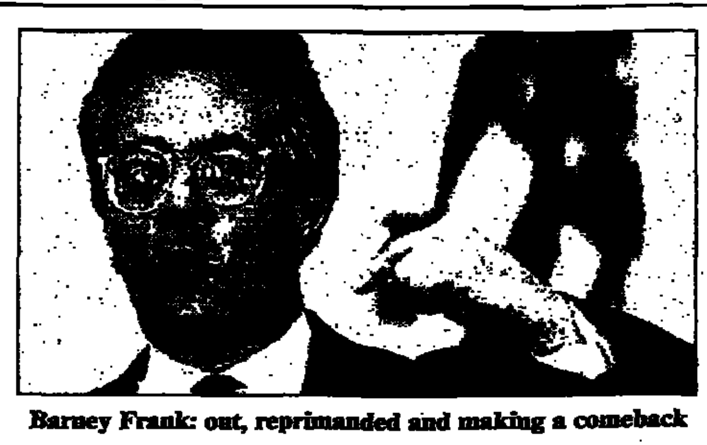
As the "outing" debate gathers strength across America, one of its leading participants, Barney Frank, the Boston congressman, is also one of the strongest proofs that there is political life after homosexual scandal. Yesterday Congressman Frank told millions of breakfast television viewers that he "understood" the latest moves by gay activists to "out" a senior Pentagon official and familiar face from the Gulf war. "Because the armed services are an anti-gay institution," he said, "the issue is not the man's privacy but his hypocrisy."

As he sat on the CBS couch, it was hard to believe that only a year ago Barney Frank was starring in a coast-to-coast "adults only" drama of his own, the lurid details of which far excelled any doings in the defence secretary's office. His career lay in ruins after revelations of male prostitutes, call-boy rings run from his apartment, and congressional privileges used to tear up a boyfriend's parking tickets.

Yesterday, Mr Frank appeared on television not as a single-issue campaigner brought on to discuss gay issues, but as one of the most feared and powerful minds on Capitol Hill. Although he still campaigns vigorously for homosexual rights, the Massachusetts congressman has become a power in the establishment again. He is valued by the White House for his support of the president's banking reforms. He is prized even more by moderate Democrats, who see him delivering tough messages to the party's left-wingers which they will accept from almost no one else.

At the end of his congressional trial last July, Mr Frank was "reprimanded". This was a softer punishment than his opponents had demanded, but he was only the seventh congressman in the House's history to have his knuckles rapped this way. He was also asked by fellow Democrats to keep a low profile in the 1990 campaign. "I disappeared for a time," he said, pushing forward his huge shoulders as though to magnify the implausibility of the idea. "I didn't want to cost us the ten or twenty seats that were feared to be vulnerable to me."

However, he is now again the strongest rhetorical voice for liberals in the House. Moderate Democrats squirmed yesterday when he attacked Richard Cheney, the defence secretary, for being "afraid, politically" to end the ban on homosexuals in the fighting services. They liked it no better when he praised Mr Cheney for being prepared to keep a homosexual on his personal civilian staff. But they do like the way he uses his liberal credentials to bash the left on bigger matters.



Barney Frank: out, reprimanded and making a comeback

"I want Democrats to be seen as pro-American, in favour of free enterprise and against criminals," Mr Frank barked across his cluttered desk in his brusque, Bostonian way. "If I were a straight, married, liberal political figure, people would say that I just wanted to ingratiate myself with the right so as to become president or whatever. But there is no chance of that so . . ."

His words hung in the air. Barney Frank is indeed no candidate for higher office. His rooms on Capitol Hill are not festooned with the flags and military regalia that aspirants to the office of senator or president need to show. Instead he has a photograph of himself playing street football and a photographic sequence of celebrants, including himself, who appear slightly drunk. "Because I'm gay," he said, "I'm less vulnerable to charges that I sold out. There really can't be any personal motive. All I want to do is to stay where I am."

Last week, he cross-questioned Mr Cheney from his influential position on the House budget committee, eliciting the response that the traditional "security risk" justification for excluding homosexuals was "an old chestnut". Mr Frank called that admission "a superb result" which would pave the way to change.

Barney Frank has become a powerful wild card in the American political pack. He fights hard for gay rights and just as hard for President Bush's plans to deregulate the banking industry and make financial services more competitive. If he does not fit into one of Washington's pigeonholes, he does not mind.

The Democrats have lost the ability to think openly, Mr Frank says. "We keep losing presidential elections because on too many of the issues which matter to the voters we prefer to be loved by our friends than to win over our enemies. The temptation to evoke the cheers of those who agree with you and to stop winning over those who disagree is very strong."

It is tempting to say that Barney Frank makes this mistake himself by espousing gay rights. But he believes this would only be a danger if the question were taken out of proportion. If the Democrats get the big economic and foreign policies right, the party will win. "Simple."

Since he survived his own scandal, Mr Frank claims to have encountered barely an "iota" of adverse reaction from his peers. Despite their fears, no Democrats lost their seats through being tainted by association with him. His career proves that a man of intellect and fearsome debating skills cannot be lightly dismissed from a House where the sleeping-pill is more often used as a rhetorical weapon than the dagger.

He admits, however, that he is more useful now in coercing the left than in co-opting the centre. "Two years ago I could have been directly part of the campaign to win over the white, male, mostly middle-class bloc which Ronald Reagan brought to the Republicans. Now I see myself providing a message for other people to deliver."

The impact of the scandal has been heaviest on his personal life. Mr Frank does not relish the role of gay activist. He did not appreciate a recent article by his partner discussing the role of "the only member of the congressional gay spouse caucus".

The paradoxical consolation is that Mr Frank's place in the intellectual debate may have been enhanced. And since Democrats face an uphill climb even to come in sight of George Bush for 1992, the battle over the ideas that will define the long-term direction of the party may be more important over the next few months than one-sided battles at the ballot box.

Jonathan Clark explores the way a booming industry was built upon the pursuits of a gentlemanly class

A short history of holidays

What most strikes the outside observer about a society are its ritual observances: those strange ceremonies, so taken for granted by natives, so peculiar to foreigners, so much the product of historical evolution, so vulnerable therefore to future change. With hardly any dissent, the English can now be observed participating in one of their most universally observed national rituals: the summer holiday. It is also one of the most modern, hardly older than the present century. How it will evolve in the next is something we can guess only if we understand the evolution of the holiday in the longest perspective.

The early Church, after some controversy, borrowed from the pagan world the celebration of saints' days, to mark the birth (or death) of great men. In England, even after the Reformation, formal religion long continued the observance of such days. Only in the 19th century did the shattering of Anglican hegemony and the discipline of industrial work erase the old calendar. Before 1830, the Bank of England closed for more than 33 saints' days and anniversaries; in 1834 a Whig government reduced these holidays to four. Gradgrind ruled a sharp line between work and play, and work was to dominate. In area after area of the economy, as the pace quickened, periods of idleness or amusement during the working day were abolished.

The medieval saint's day was, for most, a celebration of idleness, a brief respite from the crushing burden of agricultural toil. It involved the invention of no alternative secular culture. Leisure and the many diversions that filled it were the prerogative of the élite; to enjoy leisure was a hallmark of a gentleman, just as to be freed from housework by the acquisition of servants was the essential mark of rising family status for women.

Leisure was not idleness. The English gentleman, on the contrary, was frenetically busy, whether in politics, in military service, in charitable endeavour, in his duties as justice of the peace, in antiquarian pursuits or in sport. Astonishing numbers of sports were invented or codified by English gentlemen — either raised from crudeness to art forms, like cricket and boxing, or created almost from nothing, like lawn tennis and skiing.

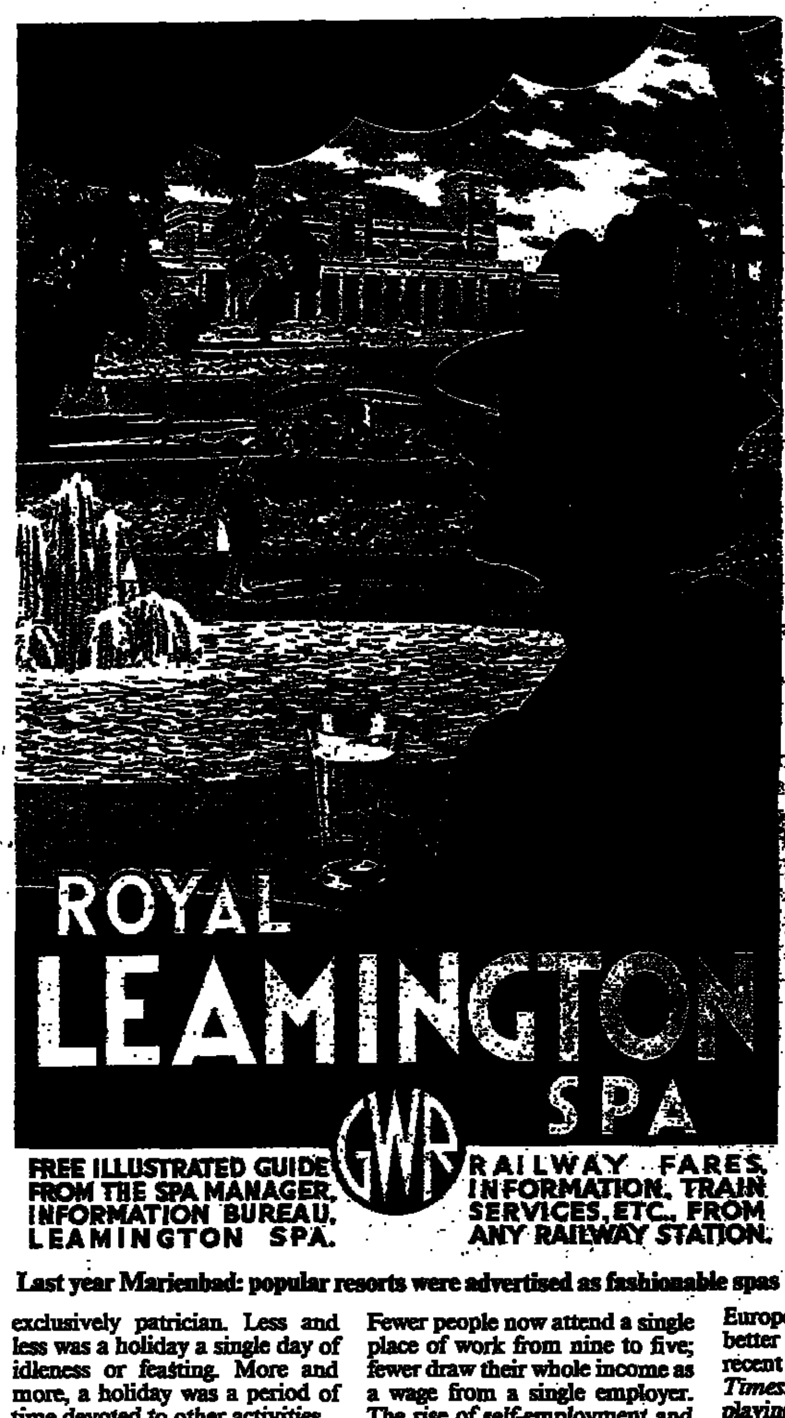
Leisure was a patrician concept. Not so the secularised holiday. When, in 1871, the state legislated for holidays in honour of its new patron saint, St Bank, the puritanical streak in the popular consciousness ensured that these would be days on which the common man did, essentially, nothing. The sabbatarianism close to the heart of the proletarian Nonconformist tradition had instinctively sought to honour God by ensuring that one day in the week remained a blank: now the same inhibitions threatened to blight industrial workers' first taste of free time.

This prospect depressed George Orwell: what was the value of increasing industrial production if all it meant for the labourer was a longer spell as the yearly prisoner of that successor of the Nonconformist minister, the Blackpool landlady? From this harsh fate, the capitalist entrepreneur sought to deliver the worker by the invention of the modern commercialised holiday, an attempt to imitate and share in the leisure activity of the independent gentleman.

Many of the earliest imitators were from the upper middle class rather than the proletariat. When Henry Lunn invented the package tour, leading groups of English holidaymakers to ski in the Alps, he found that he could most effectively appeal to the market through a front organisation, which he termed the Public Schools Alpine Sports Club: insulation from social inferiors was guaranteed. Yet the triumph of the masses was exactly the fate that overtook that huge commercial success, the organised, marketed package holiday.

Some hint of the repertoire of leisure activities that the worker might visualise as enclosed within the walls of the landed estate was given by Billy Butlin. But whether as tour or camp, the holiday industry began to encourage the inert, the unimaginative, the incurious and the exhausted to imitate the behaviour once exclusively patrician. Less and less was a holiday a single day of idleness or feasting. More and more, a holiday was a period of time devoted to other activities.

Another current now flows the same way. For increasing numbers, work patterns have altered. Fewer people now attend a single place of work from nine to five; fewer draw their whole income as a wage from a single employer. The rise of self-employment and multiple employment progressively blurs the line between work day and holiday.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Last year Marienbad: popular resorts were advertised as fashionable spas

The 20th century has expropriated and destroyed the patrician amateur who could afford from private means to busy himself with leisure. But it has given more and more people the opportunity to do what they enjoy and be paid for it at the same time. Are those who spend a season as ski guides or tennis coaches at work or at leisure? Clearly both. Why do academics, their teaching over, devote such long hours to research? It is their vocation as well as their profession.

The more successful English capitalism becomes, the better it is at making pleasure and profit coincide for ever-larger numbers. For those still trapped in traditional manufacturing, higher wages for fewer hours is the dreary demand, but increasingly, others pursue diversity, activity and even profit in a host of different spheres.

Capitalism alone does not guarantee long holidays or the culture to make them worthwhile: holidays in American or Japanese industry are often absurdly short by our standards. But Europeans are heirs to a gentlemanly ideal of leisure — *otium cum dignitate* — which makes longer holidays feasible by imposing them equally on competing firms, and makes them enjoyable by relating them to a cultural ideal. "Why, in short, do Europeans seem to live so much better than Americans?" asked a recent article in *The New York Times*. Perhaps by playing up and playing the game, we had it right all along.

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ALAN COREN

Bubka doth murder sleep. How horrible, fantastic, incredible it is that I should be gnawing my pillow here, at 3am of a Tuesday morning, because of a sporting event in a far-away country between people of whom I know nothing! I do not only know nothing of the people, either, I know nothing of the country, and all but nothing of the sporting event.

Taking them in reverse order, what I do know about the event is that it involves a man running with a big stick, jabbing it into a hole much in the manner of HM the Q presenting new regimental colours, and as the result of all this, vaulting over another stick some considerable way above him. It is precisely this considerable way which is keeping me awake, along with that host of involuntary sidetracks which lie in wait at 3am, for example, a disconcerting image of HM the Q taking it into her head to enliven the colours ceremony by sailing over the kneeling ensign to massed *Hazzahs!*, and, it must be said, to a wince on the ensign's face that, even on this hot night, chills my blood.

I am not *trying* to imagine this, of course. I shall come to what I am trying to imagine in a bit, once I have got past trying to imagine Malmo. Malmo is in that faraway country Sweden, a place about which I know only that it has a lot of fir trees. There is a Number 13 bus parked beneath these fir trees, but I shall come to that later, too. Also to the man standing on top of it.

As for the unknown people, these are Bubka, Polyakov and Ryzhenkov. At 3am, a man could be forgiven for sidetracking into the discovery of a Chekhov first draft called *The Three Brothers*, in which a trio of loopy dreamers bang on endlessly about getting to Malmo, but these are in fact pole-vaulters, and the best of them has just done something remarkable. He has jumped over Terry Wogan.

I blame LBC. A little after midnight, I turned on my bedside radio for the latest unfathomable news from Yugoslavia, and learned instead that Sergey Bubka had just beaten Polyakov and Ryzhenkov to become the first man to clear 20ft in the pole vault. "Think of it," said the radio, "as jumping over a man of 5ft 11in standing on top of a London bus."

That was three hours ago. Quite why, on hearing this, I should have recalled a magazine profile which described Wogan as being an inch under six feet, who can say, but there it was, I was stuck with it. The fir trees, the bus, Our Tel, and suddenly, out of the Swedish murk springs Bubka, his arched back brushing Wogan's famous thatch but leaving it, miraculously, in place.

All my life, I have been cursed by the Law of Unhelpful Comparisons. This states that any attempt to render something more comprehensible by comparing it with something familiar does exactly the opposite, and I can clearly remember my first brush with it: *The Dandy* used to run amazing facts in its upper margins, doubtless to commend itself to parents who thought that Korky the Kat rotted kids' brains, and one of them ran, "If a grasshopper were the size of a man, it could jump over the Empire State Building". Not only had I never seen the Empire State Building, I found myself saddled with the reflection that if a man were the size of a grasshopper, he wouldn't be able to jump over anything. In later life I have had to cope with the news that a silkworm could get to the Moon and back on its own thread, that a lightning flash could power a town the size of Huddersfield, that the human intestine would unravel into a cricket pitch, that one man's lifetime generates enough sweat to run a steam locomotive for 30 miles, and much else so infinitely ponderable as to leave the brain in ruins.

And sport has been more to blame than anything. I shall go to my grave still unable to cope with the information that Duncan Goodhew has, in training, swum twice round the world, or that Aleksander Gunyashev has pressed and jerked a Morris Minor above his head. Once, when Dan Maskell chuckled that Roscoe Tanner served 42mph faster than the speed limit, I took my old Healey up to 112, in order to wonder, at great personal risk, what it would feel like to have a tennis ball beside me on the inside lane, apparently motionless. It did not work.

Oh, look, it's half-past four. In the time I have lain pointlessly awake, a silkworm could have swum across Huddersfield half a dozen times. Expressed vertically, that's nearly 8,000 buses.

Painful last words

Many political commentators argued that if Ian Gow had still been alive *Mrs Thatcher would not have lost* the party leadership. But in a rare criticism of her leadership style which has just come to light, Gow professed his belief that the damage was done when she removed Sir Geoffrey Howe from the Foreign Office.

In one of his last interviews before his murder by the IRA last summer, he expressed regret that she had not been better advised. The criticism appears in an interview given in January 1990, while she was in office, for the book *Thatcher's People* by John Ranelagh, a member of the Conservative research department between 1975 and 1979. The MP for Eastbourne, a former PPS to Mrs Thatcher, said that if he had still been a member of the kitchen cabinet, he would have spoken frankly when she moved Howe. Everything would have been different if she had started the discussion by saying: "'Geoffrey, you know how much I owe to you, how much I hate doing reshuffles. Parliamentary proceedings are going to be televised. I must have somebody of real stature in the high-profile job as Leader of the House. I want you to be deputy prime minister and we will put out those changes. But I'm going to ask you to leave the Foreign Office.'"

However, she did not say anything of the kind. "She didn't handle Geoffrey at all well. At their first talk she did not offer the title, such as it is, of deputy prime minister. It was done as a confrontation, and not between people who ought to be trusted and close friends. That's why Geoffrey was wounded. That was very, very bad. And I'm afraid the omens for Geoffrey and Mrs Thatcher working happily together are not good. As I look ahead I am filled with foreboding," said Gow.

In the cabinet meeting on the day he resigned, Mrs Thatcher attacked Howe over the scheduling of parliamentary bills, according to Gow. "It was complete humiliation. She treated him so badly that that was finally it."

● *Those who said that Aids was retribution from God for the permissive society may feel they have scored a point. The Bow Group, the Tory pressure group, has just published AIDS: A Darkness over Africa. The author is named as Christ Butler, MP.*

Jailhouse jazz?

Is the Duke Ellington Orchestra the solution to Kenneth Baker's problems as he wrestles with the difficulties of Britain's jails? The orchestra has been invited to give a concert at Barlinnie jail in Glasgow, which would be televised as a *Christmas at Barlinnie* jazz spectacular.

The Butler Trust, a prisoners' welfare charity, is negotiating to bring over the New York band, which has been led by Mercer Ellington since the death of his father. The trust will be inviting Princess Anne, its patron, to attend. It will be hoping for more success in its negotiations than it had with James Brown, the soul singer who spent two years in a South Carolina jail. Brown was keen on going back behind bars for a couple of hours, but the show fell through because not enough money could be raised.

At the sharp end

Spotting boats in the general mêlée that passes for racing at Cowes is not easy even for the trained eye. This year's programme has not helped: its photographs in a two-page "Layman's Picture Guide to Boats" are misleadingly captioned. All but four of the photographs have captions which bear no relation to the boats illustrated. This has left spectators more confused than ever and the authors highly embarrassed.

It says the one on the left's the QE II
GED.

Now then, back to square one. The sharp end is the bow, and the blunt end is the stern ...

Not out

Our men in Tehran have struck a blow for John Major by staging the first international cricket tournament in Iran since the Islamic revolution. Five-man teams from Australia, India, New Zealand and Pakistan took over the British embassy garden, and the rules were tailored to the sensitivities of the Iranians. In most matches, batsmen who hit a ball over the boundary would expect at least a four, but anyone who put the ball over the wall at the weekend was dismissed. "Mending of fences, not breaking of windows, was required," said one participant.

The rule was also designed to cope with a shortage of balls. The kit, which dated from circa 1977, belonged to an expatriate who left it behind when he fled the Ayatollah. An embassy official stumbled across it as he cleared out a garage.

National divisions were overlooked. When one of the players was injured, the Indian ambassador joined the British team, where he "gleefully took the wicket of his defence attaché", according to the British side.

An extra score of 20 runs was offered for anyone hitting the embassy's 1870 clocktower, where Churchill celebrated his 69th birthday during the 1943 Tehran conference, but nobody hit the target.

However, the ever-present possibility that hostages might be released disturbed the happy cricketers when David Reddaway, the chargé d'affaires, left early — after an impressive performance — saying: "I've got to go and do something about hostages."

● *Teething problems already with the proposed National Gallery of Scottish Art in Edinburgh. The management hoped to fill a gap in its national collection by a reciprocal loan arrangement with the Glasgow Art Gallery. The idea was to show paintings by the Glasgow Boys, the 19th-century artists led by Sir John Lavery. So would the Glasgow gallery lend works to a National Gallery of Scottish Art? "Yes," says Julian Spalding, the gallery director, warily, "as long as it is in Glasgow."*

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TIMES PAST THE TIMES

A NARROW ESCAPE

The home secretary, Kenneth Baker, owes his political life today to Judge Stephen Tumim, the chief inspector of prisons. Judge Tumim's report on Monday blamed operational rather than policy failures for the escape last month of two alleged IRA prisoners. Had the fiasco resulted from a policy decision, Mr Baker would by now be an ex-home secretary, either by his own hand or that of the prime minister.

The Brixton report produced a knee-jerk demand for Mr Baker's resignation from the Liberal Democrats' home affairs spokesman, Robert Maclennan. More mature was Roy Hattersley's judgment yesterday that Mr Baker did not quite have reason to go, though he had plenty to answer for. Political coinage is debased when politicians cry "Resign!" at every ministerial hiccup.

There are three contradictory versions of the doctrine of ministerial responsibility. One, on the model of Sir Thomas Dugdale's resignation over the Crichel Down affair in 1954, implies that every serious error by a civil servant is attributable upwards to his minister. He carries the can even if he was neither the cause of, nor even aware of, the error. By that rule, Mr Baker would have had to quit. But to shift all the burden onto ministers is to encourage irresponsibility in their staffs. Better by far to bring individual civil servants to account.

Crichel Down is therefore not a sound precedent. The better case is that of Lord Carrington. He resigned in 1982 when the whole drift of his South Atlantic policy — and not just his subordinates' errors of omission and commission — was seen to have precipitated the Argentine invasion of the Falklands. Far from damaging his reputation, Lord Carrington's honourable resignation saved it.

The third version of ministerial responsibility simply urges them to resign only when there is no alternative. Ministers responsible for failed policies brazenly pack the front benches every day. Discounting Margaret Thatcher, poll tax took nobody down with it when it finally sank. Those sudden resignations which landmarked the Thatcher years were either from pique, as in the case of Michael Heseltine and Nigel Lawson; or embarrassment, such as Cecil Parkinson and Nicholas Ridley. None of these resignations did much for the honour of politics.

The distinction between policy failure and administrative failure is valid in theory, though not so easy to apply in practice. Mr Baker says he considered resigning immediately after the escape. What was nagging his conscience, no doubt, was an earlier recommendation from Judge Tumim that Category A prisoners should not be held at Brixton prison at all. But Mr Baker was deferring his action on that recommendation rather than neglecting it. In the circumstances, sending them to Brixton was a reasonable risk to take, not a catastrophic failure of policy. Judge Tumim's general point about the unsuitability of Brixton for top-security purposes had already been taken, and a safer alternative, the new Belmarsh prison, was under commission.

Mr Baker's self-questioning may reflect his more general mood. He is finding the Home Office an uncomfortable billet. The prisons' department particularly depresses him, and he is using the Brixton escape as an excuse for a thorough administrative review of the department itself.

By mentioning the possibility of resigning Mr Baker has warned this department of the price he might personally have to pay for any future incompetence by his officials. That puts him on the line as never before, forced to strengthen his grip or relinquish it altogether. Brixton highlighted a failure of prison administrators, prison governors and prison officers. Mr Baker has the chance to sort them out, moan, groan and buckpass as they will. If there is another failure, Mr Baker will not so easily escape retribution.

AFRICA'S SECOND LIBERATION

Late last month, leading figures from 14 African countries set up a new institute to work for Africa's "second liberation" — the struggle to remove the generation of leaders which has betrayed the hopes of independence. In a message to its founders Archbishop Desmond Tutu wrote: "Africa is bleeding. The most awful truth is that there has often been far greater personal freedom in the much-maligned colonial days than now." The institute is London-based, one indication of the paucity of democratic freedoms in the subcontinent.

From Lusaka yesterday came another reminder that dislodging Africa's dictators is an uphill struggle. Zambia's president, Kenneth Kaunda — so unpopular that he cannot visit a football match without being pelted with beer-cans — railed at a carefully packed congress of his ruling party against anyone who presumed to question his God-given right to steer Zambia single-handed.

Yet both the creation of the London institute and Dr Kaunda's defiance testify to the pell-mell rate at which once immovable African regimes are being swept from power by popular anger. The grievances, sharpened by endemic hunger and growing unemployment, are largely economic. But the transformation in Eastern Europe has given Africans new courage to vent them.

Riots in Zambia last year released forces against which Dr Kaunda is fighting a losing battle. He has already had to allow opposition parties to form, and has agreed to constitutional reforms which severely curtail his personal power. If he keeps to his promise to hold elections this October, he is expected to be trounced. To the north, Zaire's President Mobutu Sese Seko, an altogether fouler dictator whose ways with the state Treasury inspired the coining of the word "kleptocracy" to describe the typical African system of government, is similarly losing a stubborn rearguard action against reform. He will be lucky to prevent the long-delayed constitutional conference due to open today in Kinshasa from turning into a public trial of his 26 years of misrule.

Throughout the continent, the race is suddenly to the disillusioned young. This is a generation unmoved by the "father of the country" rhetoric with which African presidents have justified not so much one-party as one-man rule. Demonstrators defying the tear-gas are squeezing concession after concession from the old guard. The membership of human rights groups swells despite severe repression. The old weapons, cash and terror, are no longer buying off political opposition.

Not all this change is peaceful. Liberia and Somalia have fought themselves off the political map; of the nine African presidents removed from office in the past ten months, six have been violently overthrown. But three were defeated at the ballot box — the first time that has happened in Africa's postcolonial history. And in June Congo peacefully abandoned marxism and set free elections for next May.

The French government, once a determined supporter of the status quo, is now seeking to bring order to the inevitable. Its new policy, dubbed "Paristroika", is to promote constitutional conferences, followed by the installation of interim governments headed by technocrats. A dozen countries are convening or planning such conferences. Britain, always less interventionist, confines itself to exhortations to "good governance". These could be more forcefully expressed. The Anglophone governments are lagging behind their French counterparts. Presidents Hastings Banda and Daniel arap Moi still confidently spurn all thought of pluralistic democracy.

But news of each success spreads rapidly, emboldening reformers elsewhere. This is street democracy, often united by little more than a determination to shed the wreckage of the past. The future will be desperately hard to build, even with good will. The West has a dismal record of support for dictatorship in Africa. It must listen attentively to these voices of courage, if Africa's "second liberation" is to fulfil its promise.

EDINBURGH COUNTS

This weekend the Edinburgh Festival officially opens, but already the city is abuzz. Like American states vying to be first with their presidential primaries, fringe shows have now started to appear in "Week Nought". Meanwhile, despite the recession, a campaign was launched yesterday to raise £20 million for a National Gallery of Scottish Art to house all the paintings and sculpture now scattered around Edinburgh. Glasgow has been gaining ground on Edinburgh for the past few years. If Scotland's capital is at last preparing for feisty battle with its neighbour, the Scots can look forward to the benefits of cultural competition.

Edinburgh has always thought of itself, in Miss Jean Brodie's words, as "la crème de la crème." When Glasgow came up with the slogan "Glasgow's miles better" in 1983, Edinburgh's councillors were so needled that they banned it. Some people suggested they retaliate with "Edinburgh's slightly superior", a slogan which captured both the middle-class gentility and complacency of the capital. Instead, the city came up with a watery "Count me in" campaign.

The capital deserved to be rattled. The rivalry between the two cities had too long been stereotyped as concerning class: one bourgeois and snobbish, the other working-class and chipper. Just 42 miles separate the two, yet until recently the cultural gulf seemed almost unbridgeable. Now Glasgow has spent a vibrant year as European City of Culture, and displays a newfound pride and exuberance. Edinburgh, in short, has found tanks on its closely cropped lawns.

Architecturally, Edinburgh has the edge: the neoclassical streets of the New Town and the "wynds" or medieval alleyways of the Old Town around the Royal Mile both have great charm. Yet the city has allowed its inheritance to be squandered. Princes Street is now almost exclusively occupied by ugly chain stores, the Old Town is peopled by drunks at night, and the Royal Mile is full of tatty shops. Outside the three weeks of the festival, the city is half dead. Glasgow, on the other hand, exudes energy all year round. It has rediscovered its less obvious, but perhaps more original, architectural attractions, such as the buildings of Charles Rennie Mackintosh. Most important, it is making an effort.

Glasgow is now home to Scottish Opera, Scottish Ballet and the Scottish National Orchestra. Visitors have flocked to the new Burrell Collection. The Garden Festival in 1988 attracted more than four million people, and the annual Mayfest, Glasgow's answer to the Edinburgh Festival, flourishes. After 44 years of plans and promises, Edinburgh still lacks an opera house. It does not, however, lack cash. Edinburgh was recently revealed to be the sixth largest fund-management centre in Europe. The local financial community would do well to apply some of its profits to back Edinburgh culture. Generous donations towards the cost of the gallery would be a good start.

LETTERS TO THE EDITOR

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Housing need and political fears

From the Chairman of the Association of Metropolitan Authorities

Sir, Even those local authorities which, like my own, Newcastle upon Tyne, won a prize in last week's City Challenge lottery (report and leading article, August 1) have misgivings about using a competitive process to address the serious problems of inner-city deprivation. But at least City Challenge involved bidding for government resources at the margin of expenditure.

The government's announcement ("Councils to compete for £300m in housing funds", August 2) that in future housing investment programmes, critical to the housing conditions of millions of people, are also to be subjected to a competitive process marks a much more significant and potentially dangerous departure.

The resources in this case are not provided by the government: the allocations are merely permissions for local authorities to borrow the capital required for building, repair and renewal. Tenants, and taxpayers, will have to pay for this.

Moreover the criteria by which bids will be judged will relate not to housing need or the capacity of housing authorities to implement the programme but to whether their policies and practices conform to the current political requirements of the secretary of state for the environment. Housing need is thus to be subordinated to political dogma.

Characteristically these major changes, which threaten another incursion on local authority independence and another increase in central government control, were announced after Parliament had risen and a day after the publication of a green paper (report, July 31) expressing concern at the reluctance of able people to serve as elected members of local authorities.

Yours faithfully,
JEREMY BEECHAM,
Chairman, Association of Metropolitan Authorities,
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Westminster, SW1.
August 5.

Older women on TV

From the Chief Executive of Channel 4 Television

Sir, I wholeheartedly support Janet Daley's arguments "In praise of older women" (August 2). However, it just is not true that Channel 4 cancelled Mavis Nicholson's afternoon television series in 1988 because of the presenter's age. It was the format that was showing its age. My admiration for Ms Nicholson as a "consummate professional" is on the record and I am delighted that she is returning to Channel 4 this autumn, but in a new format, *Third Wave*.

Age has never been and never will be a bar to talented presenters on Channel 4. Ask Mary Goldring, who is deservedly enjoying a new career with Channel 4 with her *Answering Back* series.

Yours,
MICHAEL GRADE,
Chief Executive,
Channel 4 Television,
60 Charlotte Street, W1.
August 2.

Spa bowling arena

From the Chief Executive of Warwick District Council

Sir, Dr Callum MacDonald (August 5) suggests that the council's proposals for the indoor bowling centre for Victoria Park, Royal Leamington Spa, will "violate a living war memorial". The trees he mentions will not be affected by the proposed new pavilion: none will be destroyed.

One of the two commemorative stones he mentions had to be moved when the water company constructed a major sewer through the park about 12 months ago. It will be resited either in its original place or in an even better position — after consultation between the council and local residents.

Yours faithfully,
MICHAEL WARD,
Chief Executive,
Warwick District Council,
Town Hall,
Royal Leamington Spa,
Warwickshire.
August 5.

Case for having a population policy

From Dr Norman Myers

Sir, In "The birth dearth" (leading article, July 29) you assert that the government should not turn family policy into population policy. But surely the UK, together with other developed-world nations, should have a population policy, just as much as should developing-world nations.

The UK's population growth rate is 0.2 per cent per year. A low figure, this still means that with a populace of 58 million we produce another 116,000 people each year. Bangladesh, with a growth rate of 2.4 per cent per year and a populace of 117 million, produces an extra 2.8 million people per year; with only twice as large a populace, it produces 24 times as many additions.

But each British person consumes energy equivalent to 40 barrels of oil per year, or 4.6 million barrels for the 116,000 annual arrivals. This has implications for the greenhouse effect that will affect all nations on earth — few more drastically than Bangladesh which may lose one fifth of its territory to sea-level rise.

Each Bangladeshi consumes only one barrel of oil-equivalent energy per year, or 2.8 million barrels for the nation's annual arrivals.

So is it not time to ask how many people are good for Britain, and how many Britons are good for the world?

Yours faithfully,
NORMAN MYERS,
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Headington, Oxford.
July 30.

From Mrs Rosemary Horsey

Sir, The view taken by your leader writer of the report by the Family Policy Studies Centre on the falling birth rate saddens me. Surely we should welcome the prospect of a lessening of the pressures of numbers in our overcrowded island, instead of concentrating solely on the problems (which are transient) of adjusting to a different age structure in the population.

It is misleading to discuss the average family size without putting it into its context of a UK population in which births still considerably outnumber deaths each year, a result of the baby boom of the 1960s.

According to the Office of Population, Censuses and Surveys, if the present average family size continues, it will be nearly 30 years into the next century before the UK population ceases to grow.

For those of us subjected to the relentless demand for ever more houses, roads and other infrastructure, this is a sombre prospect — but at least let us rejoice that our grandchildren may see an end to this pressure in this country and in Europe.

Yours faithfully,
ROSEMARY HORSEY,
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Hampshire.
August 2.

Privatised parks

From Mr H. Claude Delves

Sir, Eight of London's royal parks are under fire and all require immediate care, consideration and protection from the seeming but misleadingly attractive process of contracting out proposed by Mr Heseltine in his press notice, "A bright future for the parks" (report, July 20; letters, July 27, August 3). As Baroness Jeger points out (August 3) this process is intended in the form of "ground maintenance and related work" to commence in February next year. Staff are to receive redundancy notices shortly.

Wildlife is mentioned only once — in Mr Heseltine's statement — by way of a passing question. A review group is to be set up to consider ways of changing the pattern of use of the royal parks. The group which is named consists of 11 members, not one of whom, so far as I can see, has specific experience of wildlife, forestry or landscape.

The immediate and pressing question is, however, the future (with which I have been closely associated since the 1930s) of the staff. My own knowledge of those working in Richmond Park convinces me that the status quo can only effectively be preserved by their continued employment on the present basis. The workforce knows the park and its complexities intimately. Several are specialists in fields such as butterflies and moths, flowers, trees and insects.

Contractors, however competent in horticulture, could not possibly prove adequate substitutes. Let us maintain our parks by maintaining the services of those who serve them so well.

I am, Sir, yours faithfully,
H. CLAUDE DELVES,
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18 Fife Road, East Sheen, SW14.
August 3.

Sorting out samphire

From his Honour Judge Head

Sir, While acknowledging that I probably owe to Dr Bolt (July 31) my present rude health and that I look forward to lunching with him soon, I will not share, even at his table, what may be the proceeds of crime. Your report of July 25 ("Samphire hunters in troubled waters") related to a reference which I made recently in open court to the Wildlife and Countryside Act of 1981 which makes it an offence — arrestable without warrant, punishable summarily with a four-figure fine and on indictment by fine and imprisonment — intentionally and without authority as specified in section 27 to *uproot any wild plant* anywhere.

This, of course, includes both the East Anglian samphire and the rock samphire. The effect of this is, in essence, that you may pull up the weeds in your own garden, but not, without consent, those in your neighbour's garden or wild on the roadside.

More gravely, if less well known, it is an offence anywhere, even on your own land, with limited exceptions for the protection of husbandry, without a licence from the appropriate authority under section 16 (3) and (4), to pick, or even without uprooting *pluck any part of* any of the plants listed in schedule 8 of that Act, although one might think them weeds. That schedule includes a number of coastal plants, and on the occasion referred to in your report, I had named some of the orchids and also, particularly, sea lavender (*Limonium paradoxum: Limonium recurvum*) which is much at the mercy of innocent holiday-makers who do not realise the risk of arrest they run in the interest of flower arrangement, any more than do the seaside vendors of it whom the Act renders equally guilty.

Since samphire is always traditionally pulled roots and all from the mud, it plainly falls within the first of these categories, just as sea lavender falls within the latter.

Yours faithfully,
ADRIAN HEAD,
Overy Staithe, King's Lynn, Norfolk.

Lisbon life and death

From the Reverend Noel Staines

Sir, Having also done temporary duty in the Greater Lisbon chaplaincy, I would confirm the Reverend Robert Ellis's views (July 31) about the lively state of the congregations there.

Readers might also like to know of the supreme importance of the British cemetery around St George's, Lisbon, which I surveyed in 1988. It is the largest British graveyard in Europe and is a botanical garden in its own right, having received gifts of trees and shrubs from all over the world in the last century. It dates back to 1717 with the earliest headstone 1724.

There are gravestones to Protestants of many nationalities in numerous languages. There are buried consuls, legates, merchants, doctors, clergymen, many consumptives, and servicemen of the Peninsular, the Boer and the first and second world wars.

There you will find the memorials of a prince of Waldeck, Henry Fielding, Philip Doddridge (hymn writer), George Bartholomew (cartographer), Admiral Horthy, regent of Hungary, a Polish minister of labour, an American consul killed in a duel in 1793, and two George medallists, one with a bar. It is an area of fascinating history and research.

Yours sincerely,
E. N. STAINES,
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Defford, Worcestershire.

Forensic analysis

From Mr R. C. Rooney

Sir, As the principal of the laboratory used to illustrate Dr Diana Simpson's article (Law Times, July 30) on forensic experts, I would like to add a few comments. We would not describe ourselves as forensic scientists *per se*, but rather as analytical chemists who are sometimes called upon to examine samples associated with a criminal or civil case.

I would be very unhappy to see a system where the commissioning of the scientific evidence was left only to the Crown Prosecution Service, since this could lead away from the current adversarial system of our own courts and towards the inquisitorial system common in some continental countries where there is a court expert.

The adversarial system has its drawbacks, but in a fairly recent case the Home Office expert and I agreed completely upon what we had both seen, but put quite different interpretations upon the agreed evidence. This alternative interpretation is often the greatest contribution that a defence expert can make, since in general the work carried out by Home Office and police laboratories is of high standard.

It is patently not always so, since there is no such thing as an infallible laboratory. We have occasionally disagreed with some very eminent laboratories on matters of fact rather than interpretation.

The earlier we can examine the evidence to be presented by the prosecution, the better we can suggest tests of our own which may help the defence. Unfortunately, we are frequently hindered by the time allowed. It is not uncommon for us to be approached two or three days before the beginning of a trial to examine samples available to the prosecution for months.

One reason appears to be reluctance on the part of the prosecution to release even part of the material at a sufficiently early stage, rendered much worse by the fact that most lawyers do not appear to give serious thought to a case until the court hearing is imminent.

A small privately-owned laboratory cannot match the expensive and sophisticated equipment often available to government-funded establishments, but this is required in only a small percentage of cases. Most of us are well equipped for quite demanding commercial and industrial analysis, and often the quality of the mind examining the data is more important than the hardware used to acquire it.

Perhaps the most important thing we can offer is impartiality. The scientific staff of Establishment laboratories firmly believe that they are truly impartial, but there is little doubt that in many people's eyes (including some lawyers') they are seen as an arm of the prosecution.

Statements produced for the courts will often be couched in such a way as to present the evidence in a light favourable to the prosecution, and unless the defending barrister has sufficient scientific knowledge to enable him to ask the right questions, the forensic scientist will never have to point out to the court that there could be another point of view.

Yours faithfully,
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Latin loss from medical jargon

From the Editor of the British Medical Journal

Sir, Uncharacteristically, Philip Howard (August 2) tilts at a windmill when he accuses us of conducting a campaign to root Latin out of English. This would be as crazy as trying to take garlic out of French cooking. Rather, we are ridding ourselves of the pompous Latin phrases beloved of some writers, who all too often get them wrong (thus the American medical journal, *PACE*, contains a piece in its current issue entitled "In memorium").

Phrases like *fama nihil est celerius* will no longer be seen in the *BMJ*, but words like mortuary and *fellatio* will still appear because they are the best available. But we do follow Henry Fowler in preferring the Anglo-Saxon over the Romance for the sake of clarity.

As an enthusiast for clarity, perhaps Philip Howard would like to join us in a glass of mead as a guest of the Medical Friends of Anglo-Saxon. At the party we will explain to him how we are following a tradition that stretches back to Culpeper in the seventeenth century of making medicine accessible to those without a classical education.

Yours faithfully,
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From Miss J. Smithers

Sir, Philip Howard's comments on the *British Medical Journal's* decision to renounce its use of the Latin language reminded me of my visit to China last Christmas. Being utterly illiterate as far as Mandarin is concerned, I read with much enjoyment the first non-Mandarin characters I had seen for some days: the Latin names on the medicine bottles in the community clinic of a Peking suburb.

Yours faithfully,
J. SMITHERS,
50 Garden Royal,
Kersfield Road, Putney, SW15.

Siege machine

From Dr Donald R. Hill

Sir, I do not agree with Mr Sampson (July 31) that the artist who drew the trebuchet for your article on July 20 was misinformed. There were two very different types of trebuchet: the traction type as depicted by your artist, and the counterweight type to which Mr Sampson and other correspondents refer.

The traction type, which is well attested in Chinese, Arabic and European sources, entered Islam from China in the seventh century and spread rapidly throughout the Islamic world and Europe. It consisted of a beam up to 8 metres in length to which ropes were fixed to a special attachment at the end of the shorter arm of the beam.

A well-drilled team, ranging in number from 40 to 250 men, pulled on the ropes. A "shooter" held the pouch containing the missile and pulled it against his chest with all his force until the split second before the pull was applied. It was important, for accurate shooting, that he held the sling at the correct angle.

The more powerful counterweight trebuchet was invented, either in western Islam or in Mediterranean Christendom, in the second half of the twelfth century. Both types were widely used in sieges until superseded by cannon at about the end of the fourteenth century.

Yours faithfully,
DONALD R. HILL
(Technology historian),
3 Amey Drive,
Great Bookham, Surrey.
August 1.

Constituency choice

From Sir Barney Hayhoe, MP for Brentford and Isleworth (Conservative))

Sir, Dean Nelson's interesting piece (August 5) about Nerj Deva as the new prospective candidate in my constituency was marred by his qualifying my support for John Major. I could not have been better pleased with his election as Conservative leader and I greatly admire his growing achievements as our prime minister.

Incidentally my votes in the leadership ballots were secret. No one knows how I voted, not even my wife!

Yours etc.,
BARNEY HAYHOE,
House of Commons.
August 5.

Rank ignorance

From Rear-Admiral E. F. Gueritz

Sir, General Trythall (August 2) has a point about uses and abuses of ranks in addresses. I can accept The Rear Admiral (my bank) or, better still, Real Admiral (the Soviet Embassy). My address may excuse Rev. Admiral but I am not so keen on Rear Edward Gueritz and even less on Unknown R. G. Gueritz.

The salutation I like best is Dear Dear Admiral Gueritz (The National Trust).

Yours sincerely,
EDWARD GUERITZ,
Hemyngsby,
56 The Close,
Salisbury, Wiltshire.
August 5.

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COURT CIRCULAR

BUCKINGHAM PALACE
August 6: Sir Wilfred Jacobs (Governor-General of Antigua and Barbuda) and Lady Jacobs were received by The Queen.

His Excellency Sir Roy Marshall and Lady Marshall were received in Farewell Audience by The Queen and took leave upon His Excellency relinquishing his appointment as High Commissioner for Barbados in London.

Mr Anthony Goodenough (British High Commissioner to the Republic of Ghana) and Mrs Goodenough were received by The Queen.

His Excellency Dr Erwin Blandon and Mrs Blandon were received in Farewell Audience by The Queen and took leave upon His Excellency relinquishing his appointment as Ambassador Extraordinary and Plenipotentiary from Guatemala to the Court of St James's.

Mrs John Dugdale has succeeded the Lady Susan Hussey as Lady in Waiting to The Queen.

CLARENCE HOUSE
August 6: Ruth, Lady Fermoy has succeeded Dame Frances Campbell-Preston as Lady-in-Waiting to Queen Elizabeth The Queen Mother.

YORK HOUSE
ST JAMES'S PALACE
August 6: The Duke of Kent this morning took the Salute at The Sovereign's Parade at the Royal Military Academy Sandhurst, Camberley, Surrey.

Captain the Hon Christopher Knollys was in attendance.

Today's royal engagement

The Queen will embark on HMY Britannia at Portsmouth at 5.30 to cruise in the Western Isles.

Anniversaries today

BIRTHS: Frederic William Farrar, writer of school stories, dean of Canterbury 1895-1903, Bombay, 1831; Sir Granville Bantock, composer, London, 1868; Louis Leakey, archaeologist and anthropologist, Kabete, Kenya, 1903; Ralph Johnson Bunche, diplomat, Nobel Peace laureate 1950, Detroit, 1904.

DEATHS: Robert Blake, Parliamentarian and admiral, at sea off Plymouth 1657; Caroline, queen consort of George IV, London, 1821; Joseph-Marie Jacquard, silk weaver, Oullins, France, 1834; Alexander Blok, Russian poet, 1921; Konstantin Stanislavsky, actor, co-founder of the Moscow Arts Theatre, Moscow, 1938, Sir Rabindranath Tagore, poet, philosopher, Nobel laureate 1913, Calcutta, 1941.

Birthdays

Mr Greg Chappell, cricketer, 43; Mr Neil Clarke, chairman, British Coal, 57; Sir Maurice Dorman, former Governor General of Malta, 79; Professor H.L. Elvin, former director, London University Institute of Education, 86; Mr Matthew Evans, chairman, Faber and Faber (Publishers), 50; Sir Ian Fraser, former chairman, Lazard Brothers, 68; the Right Rev A.A.K. Graham, Bishop of Newcastle, 62; Sir Paul Hawkins, former MP, 79; Mr Kenneth Kendall, broadcaster, 67; Mr Owen Luder, architect, 63; Mr A.G. McCrae, former chairman, British Ports Association, 82; Dame Ella Macknight, obstetrician and gynaecologist, 87; Vice-Admiral Sir Hector MacLean, 83; Mr Matthew Parris, former MP, author and broadcaster, 42; Mr Nick Ross, broadcaster, 44; Mr Alexei Sayle, comedian, 39; Baroness Seear, 78; Mr Philip Snow, author, 76; Mr Walter Swinburn, jockey, 30; Mr Allen Thomas, chairman, J. Walter Thompson (Europe), 47; Mr J.A. Young, chairman, Young and Company's Brewery, 70.

Forthcoming marriages

Mr J.A. Ashworth and Miss T.H. Wheeler
The engagement is announced between John Adrian, only son of the late Mr Paul Ashworth, of Worleston, Cheshire, and Mrs Sheila Ashworth, of Wareham, Dorset, and Tamsin Harriet, eldest daughter of Mr and Mrs Michael Wheeler, of Wilsford, Wiltshire.

Mr D.J. Barnes and Miss J.M. Topham
The engagement is announced between David John, eldest son of Mr and Mrs Roland Barnes, of Banstead, Surrey, and Julia Melanie, only daughter of Mr and Mrs James Topham, of Dronfield Woodhouse, Sheffield.

Mr C.B. Bateson and Miss M.J. Libura
The engagement is announced between Charles, son of the late Mr Michael Bateson and of Mrs Bateson, of Birkenhead, and Malgorzata, daughter of Mr and Mrs Libura, of London, NW10.

Mr J.C. Downer and Miss T.G. Dick
The engagement is announced between Jeremy Charles, elder son of Mr and Mrs A.J. Downer, of Aspley Guise, Bedfordshire, and Tessa Gillian, elder daughter of Squadron Leader and Mrs E.A. Dick, of Lydlinch, Dorset.

Mr A.R. Evans and Miss C.A.V. Chapman
The engagement is announced between Adrian Ralph, son of Mr and Mrs G.I. Evans, of Llanelli, South Wales, and Carolyn Antonia, daughter of Mr and Mrs G.V. Chapman, of Hampstead, London.

Dr J. FitzGerald and Miss J.K. Attrill
John and Jillian announce their engagement. He is the son of Dr R.J. FitzGerald, of Liverpool and Mrs A. FitzGerald, of Bamber Bridge, Lancashire. She is the daughter of Mr and Mrs K.W. Attrill, of Adelaide, Australia.

Mr R.B.D. Gathercole and Miss L.F. Johns
The engagement is announced between Richard Benjamin David, son of Mrs K. Gathercole, and Lisa Fiona, daughter of Mr A.C.H. Johns and Mrs P.M. Joyce.

Mr M.R. Gilchrist and Miss K. Takaishi
The engagement is announced between Mungo Robert, younger son of Mr and Mrs Archie Gilchrist, of Inchmaholm, Barnton Avenue, Edinburgh, and Kayoko, daughter of Mr and Mrs Yoshio Takaishi, of Nagoya, Japan.

Mr R.I. Hambury and Miss F.N. Cliffe-Jones
The engagement is announced between Roger, only son of Mr and Mrs Stephen Lewis, of St John's Wood, London, and the late Mr Ronald Hambury, and Fleur, youngest daughter of Mr and Mrs Roger Cliffe-Jones, of Edgbaston, Birmingham.

Mr M.W. Hignett and Miss K.P. Atwell
The engagement is announced between Martin, son of Mr and Mrs J.M. Hignett, of Roehampton, London, and Kirsty, daughter of Mr and Mrs N.G.D. Atwell, of St James, Barbados.

Mr A.J. Lawrence and Miss A.J. Mould
The engagement is announced between Alan James, youngest son of Mr and Mrs J. Lawrence, of Barnwood, Gloucester, and Alison Jane, elder daughter of Mr J.R. Mould and the late Mrs W. Mould, of Cleadon Village, near Sunderland.

Lieutenant A. Lustman, RN and Miss A.D. Hope
The engagement is announced between Arnold, son of Mr and Mrs H.L. Lustman, of Nairobi, Kenya, and Alexandra, daughter of Mr R.A. Hope, of Montreal, Canada, and Mrs C.M. Hope, of Bermuda.

Mr J.P. Oakley and Miss S.P. Crane
The engagement is announced between Julian Patrick, eldest son of Mr and Mrs M.M. Oakley, of Ticehurst, East Sussex, and Susan Penelope, daughter of Mr R.J. Crane, of Cape Town, South Africa, and Mrs P.M. Crane, of Oxford.

The Hon A.M.B. Portman and Miss E.E. Morgan
The engagement is announced between Alexander Michael Berkeley, son of Viscount and Viscountess Portman, of Clock Mill, Clifford, Herefordshire, and Emma Esma, daughter of Mr Christopher Morgan, of Saturnin-les-Apt, Vancluse, France, and Mrs Patsy Morgan, of Wimbledon, London.

Mr H.E.M. Smith and Miss J.L. Ricks
The engagement is announced between Henry Edward Millar, younger son of Mr and Mrs J.E. Smith, of Kingswood, Surrey, and Jennifer Lois, elder daughter of Mrs P. Bakken, of Chicago, and Mr R.W. Ricks, of Los Angeles, and step-daughter of Dr D. Bakken, of Chicago.

Mr W.M. Tebbit and Miss V.M. Hurrell
The engagement is announced between William Mark, son of Mr and Mrs Norman Tebbit, of Westminster, and Vanessa Mary, daughter of Mr and Mrs Michael Hurrell, of Monaco.

Mr P.J. Wear and Miss S.L. Butters
The engagement is announced between Peter, eldest son of Mr and Mrs J.K. Wear, of Pudsey, West Yorkshire, and Sarah, eldest daughter of Mr and Mrs J.A. Butters, of Godalming, Surrey.

Marriages

Mr J. Connelly and Miss L.A. Johnson
The marriage took place on August 3, at St Nicholas Church, Chislehurst, between Mr James Connelly, eldest son of Mr and Mrs Seamus Connelly, of Camberwell, London, and Miss Lesley Anne Johnson, only daughter of Mrs Anne Johnson-Rooks, of Chislehurst, Kent, and the late Mr Peter Johnson. The Rev John Allen officiated.

The bride was attended by Sara Johnson, Sarah Mewis, Nancy Perry and Lewis Richardson. The bridegroom's two brothers were best men.

A reception was held at Squerryes Court, Westerham.

Mr S.D.J. Wheatley and Miss C. Wood
The marriage took place on Saturday, July 27, at the Temple Church, London, of Mr Simon Wheatley, eldest son of Mr and Mrs Derek Wheatley, of Richmond, to Miss Catherine Wood, only daughter of Mr and Mrs Bernard Wood, of Walsall. The Very Rev Canon J. Robinson, Master of the Temple, officiated.

The bride was attended by Ruannan Law and Sophie and Emily Parry. Mr Michael Soole was best man.

OBITUARIES

KENNETH DAVIES

Dr Kenneth Arthur Davies, CMG, OBE, former director of the geological survey of Uganda (1939-1952) and deputy director of the overseas geological surveys (1956-1965), died on July 19 aged 94. He was born on January 28, 1897.

KENNETH Davies's description of a newly discovered fossil, a graptolite, ensures immortality for his name, and his discovery of gold in commercial quantities in Eastern Uganda probably saved the geological survey of Uganda from liquidation. Davies, who in the first world war survived the Battle of the Somme, studied geology and favoured an academic career but became a "bush-bashing" geologist in Uganda in the 1920s. His influences on geological developments, scientific and economic, especially overseas, were considerable.

Joining the army in 1915, he served as a gunner in the Royal Horse Artillery until 1919. After demobilisation he studied geology under Professor (later Sir) William Pugh at the University College of Wales, Aberystwyth, and continued his research at Trinity College, Cambridge. Mapping the Silurian rocks of central Wales he found new forms of fossil graptolites, an early marine organism of great evolutionary and stratigraphical significance, one of which he named *Akidograptus ascenus (Davies)*.

Opportunities for geological employment were rare in the late 1920s and, contrary to all inclination, he accepted an appointment as field geologist in Uganda in 1929. This rather rugged life ("bush bashing") was conducted in the old style with 40 head-loaded porters carrying all the paraphernalia on long treks through the bush.

During extended periods away from the comparative comforts of his headquarters in Entebbe, Davies learned from "Mrs Beeton", and passed on to his safari cooks the skill of preparing boiled puddings to which he was very partial. More intellectually demanding perhaps was the need to redress the bias of his classical geological education from the "respectable" leaning towards palaeontology and stratigraphy (in which he had already distinguished himself) towards economic geology and mineralogy.

Economic conditions in the depression led the administration to suggest that Davies and a colleague "be cancelled" as the country could not afford the luxury of a geological survey. Davies was dispatched eastwards where he discovered gold in commercial quantities around Busia. This, and discoveries in western Uganda of columbite/tantamite in addition to tin, saved the survey.

Throughout his career Davies was always keenly aware — contrary to the geological establishment of the time — of the importance of the economic aspects of geology as well as of its intellectual challenge. He recognised the importance of the igneous carbonatite complexes of eastern Uganda as potential sources of much-needed limestone for cement and fertiliser and of the unexpected occurrence of pyrochlore (niobium) in the soils of ancient volcanos, rather than in the hard rock. But in terms of the practical achievements of the colonial administration in raising the living standards of the indigenous people it is the provision of clean water supplies through the borehole drilling programmes for which Davies will best be remembered. This was one of his strongest interests.

His wife joined him in 1933, and they at first shared the bush life, including the flies, the heat and the threat of malaria. They eventually travelled in a Model-T Ford through eastern Uganda and north as far as the remote district of Karamoja.

On his subsequent return to Britain Davies became Commonwealth geological liaison officer. This was followed in 1956 by appointment as deputy director of colonial (later overseas) geological surveys designed specifically to promote and facilitate geological and geophysical services to the overseas territories.

His encouragement of these disciplines extended to geophysics and it was due to his intiative that the absolute age determination laboratory was jointly established at Oxford under the professorship of his old friend L. R. Wager and the first field programmes for the determination of absolute ages of Pre-Cambrian rocks in East Africa were undertaken.

Davies was largely responsible for the recruitment of young geologists to the then expanding overseas surveys and became widely known to a younger generation of geological students through his persuasive visits to the universities.

He was never a "stuffed shirt." His "have a go" spirit and his approval of those who, as he said, "gave hostages to fortune", endeared him to many while sometimes distressing the administration. He displayed great loyalty to his staff, who came to know that in difficulties they could rely absolutely upon Davies's support.

TATIANA VECHESLOVA

Tatiana Mikhailovna Vecheslova, a former ballerina of the Kirov Ballet who created roles in many important works of the 1930s and 1940s, has died in Leningrad aged 81. She was born in that city (then St Petersburg) on February 10, 1910.

TATIANA Vecheslova was an exact contemporary, classmate and friend of Galina Ulanova, and although she never achieved Ulanova's international fame she had a career as a leading dancer of the Kirov Ballet for a quarter of a century, subsequently becoming an invaluable teacher and coach.

Her mother, Yevgenia Snietkova, was also a dancer and teacher at what was then called the Maryinsky Theatre and the family had been connected with that theatre for some generations. Vecheslova and Ulanova entered the ballet school together at the age of nine in the troubled time immediately following the first world war and the Bolshevik revolution. Their first teacher was Ulanova's mother, Maria Romanovna, and for their last four years at the school they were pupils of the legendary teacher Agrippina Vaganova.

When they graduated in 1928, the company was in dire need of talent and both soon had important roles. Vecheslova's first big success, at 21, was in the title part of the old ballet *Esmeralda*, which is based on *The Hunchback of Notre Dame*. The title role of the gypsy heroine afforded generous opportunities for strong drama as well as brilliant dancing. In 1932 Vecheslova and Vakhtang Chabukiani were chosen to make a concert tour of America following the United States government's diplomatic recognition of the USSR.

Soon, Vecheslova was one of the young dancers chosen by the rising new choreographer Rostislav Zakharov to work on *The Fountain of Bakhchisarai*, after Pushkin's poem. Influenced by Stanislavsky's theories, they set out to create a new, more vividly expressive kind of dramatic ballet. Vecheslova played the proud Zarema, Khan Girei's favourite wife, and the scene of her murderous quarrel with the captive Maria (Ulanova) became famous as one of the great achievements of Soviet ballet.

Other works in which Vecheslova created important roles were Zakharov's *Lost Illusions*, based on Balzac, Chabukiani's *Heart of the Hills* and *Laurencia*, after Lope de Vega's play *Fuente Ovejuna*, Nina Anisimova's *Gayaneh*, with a score by Khachaturian, Konstantin Sergeyev's *Cinderella* as one of the wicked step sisters, and the title part of Vladimir Bourmeister's *Tatiana*. Retiring from the stage in 1953, Vecheslova was briefly director of the Leningrad Ballet School but her chief subsequent career was as a ballet mistress, teacher and coach with the Kirov Ballet.

Among her outstanding pupils were Alla Osipienko, Irina Kolpakova and Anatoli Gribov, and the ballets she helped as coach to create include Uri Grigorovich's first big success, *The Stone Flower*, and *The Shore of Hope* by Igor Belsky. Her autobiography, *I am a Ballerina* was published in 1966.

Vecheslova was made an Honoured Artist of the Russian Republic in 1939 and received a Stalin Prize in 1946. Her marriage to a fellow dancer, Sviatoslav Kusnetzov, ended in divorce; their son, Andrei Kusnetzov, is a dancer and choreographer.

DR ARTHUR ROOK

Dr Arthur James Rook, dermatologist, died on July 30 aged 73 years. He was born on May 15, 1918.

ARTHUR Rook had a world-wide reputation as a dermatologist. He was also known in wider fields of medicine and as a medical historian. His best known achievement, which earned him his international reputation, was the inception and then the writing and editing, together with D. S. Wilkinson and F. G. G. Ebling, of the 3,000-page *Textbook of Dermatology*. Since its first edition in 1968 this has remained one of the most admired and used textbooks on the subject and is affectionately known by many as the "Rook Book". His publishers have calculated that arranged in a line the pages they have printed would reach the moon. Rook's scholarship did much to ensure that dermatology was recognised to be more than simply spot spotting and to bring to the attention of the medical profession the value, in dermatological terms, of findings in other scientific disciplines.

Rook arrived at Trinity College, Cambridge, at the age of 18 to read modern languages but changed to medicine, satisfying the entrance regulations after six weeks of intensive study.

After a distinguished traineeship in London and Paris during which time he pioneered several important clinical studies, he moved to Cardiff and then, in 1953, to Cambridge where he spent the rest of his working life at Addenbrooke's Hospital and other East Anglian hospitals. His clinical work was always his priority. He was also civil consultant in dermatology to the Royal Air Force for eight years. Rook was a superb clinical teacher, both for generations of his own trainees and for numerous postgraduates from all over the world who would come and sit in with him for anything between one clinic and three years.

However, he will remain best known for his contributions to the dermatology literature. His strength rested on his scholarship and his ability to inspire those around him. He had an immense capacity for work, a prodigious memory, command of several languages, and wide interests both in medicine and biology and also in the history of medicine. He wrote 100 or more original clinical papers and also wrote or edited many books.

His later years were marred by Parkinson's Disease, against which he prevailed with great fortitude and which did not stop his writing activities. At the time of his death he had just put the finishing touches to the history of Addenbrooke's Hospital.

He was a keen family man. His wife Jane, with whom he had made such a perfect and endearing team, died last autumn. They leave three sons.

ISAAC BASHEVIS SINGER

Sam Goldsmith writes:

MAY I add a note to your excellent obituary of Isaac Bashevis Singer? He was a deeply religious non-practising Jew. The contradiction did not bother him. In this sense, he was in a class with some eminent English Roman Catholics, people like Graham Greene and Evelyn Waugh.

Bashevis Singer lived his life as a very practical, 20th-century American, and yet argued that there are mystical forces operating in the universe of which we know very little. When it was pointed out to him that Yiddish was coming to an end as a living language, since no language can survive without schools teaching it and homes speaking it, he invariably responded by saying that we do not know the mysterious ways of the Almighty. In the only very brief conversation I had with him, I pointed out that Latin has been taught at Oxford for the last eight hundred years or so, and yet nobody speaks Latin; he merely said: "Maybe it will come to life again." I wonder what he said to the report that a news bulletin in Latin is being broadcast regularly from Finland ...

MICHAEL DAUNT

Captain T. Henderson writes:

MAY I respectfully correct a minor inaccuracy in your obituary (July 30) on Michael Daunt? I believe the device added to the intake of the Gloster Meteors' engines to prevent a repeat of Michael Daunt's near fatal ingestion incident was dubbed the "Daunt Defender".

This was the name used in a video presentation by Sir Frank Whittle to a unique group of test pilots assembled at Hurn Airport in May to celebrate the 50th anniversary of Britain's first jet aircraft flight.

The test pilot group (which included nearly all my childhood heroes) heard Sir Frank, who was detained in the USA by ill health, send a special message to Michael Daunt reminding the audience of the ingestion incident. It was doubly unfortunate that Daunt himself was also unable to attend having recently broken a leg at home.

University news

Oxford

Professor Alan Williams to be Professor of Pathology.

Wolfson College

Elections

To Emeritus Fellowships: D Broadbent, G Jones, G Vermes
To Supernumerary Fellowships: B A Connell, J M Lackie
To Non-stipendiary Junior Research Fellowships: M L Birkeland, E H Buhl, D Cahn, T D Chappell, C A Ford, J. Laczik, B A Huttner, Z J Laczik, D G Large, S Peters, C J Saunders, R I Todd, E Peng Hunt Yap.
To Junior Research Fellowship in Linguistics: A Arvaniti (academic years 1991-94)
To Junior Research Fellowship in Humanities: C M Leitz (academic years 1991-94)
To Junior Research Fellowship in History/Philosophy of Science/Mathematics: J Christian (academic year 1991-94)
To Guy Newton Junior Research Fellowship in Chemistry: S K Armstrong (academic years 1991-94)
To Yamanouchi Research Fellowship in Cell Biology: P B Anderson (academic years 1991-94)
To National Power Junior Research Fellowships (June 1991 – December 1992): D Bennink, D Knauss
To Charter Fellowships (academic year 1991-92): R N Hamheer, V Robinson.
To Wolfson Industrial Fellowship: D White (academic years 1991-93)
As Visiting Scholars: R D Angelova, E G Bello, G Bishah, Z Brozek, T Bryce, S Cawasjee, D Clarke, J Coakley, J Cock, C Conway, J Fink, H/Gravelle, D Home, M Hoole, L Humphreys, A Jacobs, R Kany, K A Landman, D Leonard, F L Long, A Nepev, D Park, A L Rocha, S Shaley, J Sharpe, W Turopolski, Z Weisman, I Yavetz, Z Yavetz.

Dundee

Professor Bill McBryde to be Deputy Principal.

Royal visits

The Princess Royal will visit Uruguay and Chile from September 20 to 27.

The Prince and Princess of Wales will visit Canada in October.

The Princess Royal will visit Poland from October 7 to 10.

The Queen and the Duke of Edinburgh will pay a state visit to Namibia from October 8 to 10 and make an overnight stop in Nairobi on the way.

The Queen and the Duke of Edinburgh will pay a state visit to Zimbabwe from October 11 and will attend the opening stages of the Commonwealth Heads of Government meeting in Harare from October 15 to 19.

Department to fund historical surveys before roads are built

By NORMAN HAMMOND, ARCHAEOLOGY CORRESPONDENT

THE government is to pay for archaeological exploration in advance of trunk road building, it was announced yesterday.

Christopher Chope, roads minister, said that surveys would be directly funded by the transport department and carried out by archaeologists from English Heritage or under contract by local archaeology units.

Such work would show what archaeological material lay in the path of projected construction and enable experts to assess the threat to Britain's heritage. The announcement comes shortly after the transport department was given the AA's first National Motoring Green Award for the environmental care shown in the planning and construction of the M40 extension north of Oxford.

The policy will be welcomed by archaeologists, especially since the funding of surveys will come on top of the department's annual grant of £500,000 to English Heritage to carry out excavations before construction begins. The department said that several recent road schemes have been altered to preserve archaeological sites, including a Bronze Age enclosure on the A46 Leicester bypass.

Mr Chope said the department was also directly funding the investigations along the M3 at Twyford Down, Hampshire, at a cost of £300,000 because the project is so large that it would absorb too much of the English Heritage grant.

The policy change will go some way to satisfying archaeologists, who have pressed for developer funding of archaeological work for more than 20 years. Dr Henry Cleere, Director of the Council for British Archaeology, said: "This is very good news indeed. The government's substantial road building programme will inevitably threaten many hitherto undisturbed archaeological sites, and the Department of Transport's commitment to fund evaluation work will do much to prevent their being destroyed without adequate recording."

In 1986 there was an outcry when Iron Age settlement sites were destroyed by improvements on the A303 in Hampshire, prompting the department to allocate £100,000 for rescue excavation the following year. Almost all of this was used on a single project, however, when dozens of important prehistoric sites were revealed by the construction of the Dorchester bypass.

Mr Chope said yesterday that if the £500,000 grant to English Heritage was exhausted an extra grant would be considered in special cases.

Lord Montagu of Beaulieu, the Chairman of English Heritage, has greeted Mr Chope's announcement as "a very welcome step forward, which acknowledges the integral part which archaeology must have in all the complex considerations of new road developments".

"It is extremely important for both the developer and the archaeologist that a full archaeological survey of buried remains is done before final decisions are made over new road developments."

Award for pond rescue

VIADUCT pond, in the village of Chappel, near Colchester, now boasts one of Britain's largest colonies of the threatened great crested newt because of the efforts of a conservation group whose work was yesterday rewarded by the Wildfowl and Wetlands Trust (Tim Jones writes).

Ever since 200 tons of waste was dumped into it six years ago, members of Chappel Conservation Volunteers have worked to restore the Essex pond to the point where it now forms part of a proposed site of special scientific interest.

Caroline Aistrop, the trust's pondwatch officer, and Matthew Tipper of Shell UK yesterday presented them with a £1,000 prize and pronounced the Viaduct pond Wildlife Pond of 1991.

The money will go towards building a board walk along one side of the pond leading to a new wildlife garden.

Britannia Royal Naval College

Officers who passed out from Britannia Royal Naval College on August 1:

General List

Acting Sub Lieutenants: H K Ackland; M D Bye; S M Fleisher; P N Gazard;N P Lockwood; M H Lunn; A G Mitchell; J Rickard; J R Wyper

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Supplementary List

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Midshipmen: W Swan; S F Watts

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Church news

Appointments

Captain David Neave, Church Army, Lay Worker at St Matthew w St Barnabas, Hull: to be Pastoral Assistant, Sutton, St Michael (York).

Captain Paul Tyler, Church Army, Lay Worker at the Mens Welfare Hostel, Hull: to be Pastoral Assistant and Parochial Evangelist, St Matthew w St Barnabas, Hull (York).

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It is good to give thanks to the Lord, for his love endures for ever.
Psalm 107:1 REB

BIRTHS

AL SHUBAIKI - On July 30th, at The Portland Hospital, to Eman Al Shubaiki and Naser-Allah Al Naserallah, a son, Ahmad.

BALNIEL - On August 5th, to Lord and Lady Balniel, a son, Alexander Thomas, The Master of Lindsay.

CAMPBELL ADAMSON - On August 6th 1991, at Dundee, to Alison (née Elliott) and Hugh, a daughter, Catherine Grace, a sister for Rosie and James.

CARROLL - On August 6th, in Cheltenham, to Alison and Chris, a daughter, Coco Georgina Olympia.

COLE - On Sunday August 4th, at St Thomas', to Jackie (née Cattermole) and Tim, a daughter, Imogen Alice, a sister for Harriet and Cecily.

CROME - On August 2nd, to Nicola (née Lawrence) and Simon, a son, Alexander.

EVANS - On August 3rd, to Jayne (née Almond) and Iain, a daughter, Katherine Barr Eliza. With many thanks to the wonderful staff at Basingstoke District Hospital.

EVANS - On August 4th 1991 to Belinda (Min. née Howard) and Michael, a daughter, Florence Diana Elizabeth, a sister for Alice and Camilla.

FOX - On July 30th, to Catherine and Patrick, a daughter.

HIGSON SMITH - On August 3rd 1991, to Rachel (née O'Mara) and Piers, a son, Charles Rupert.

IRVINE-FORTESCUE - On August 3rd, to Ginny (née Townsend) and Grenville, a daughter, Juliet.

JANNEY - On August 4th 1991, to Jane (née Allen) and Michael, a son, Joseph William Frederick, a brother for Benjamin.

MATTICK - On August 2nd, to Susan (née Ward) and Richard, a daughter, Isabel Emily.

MICKLEM - On August 6th, in Geneva, to Jennifer (née Healy) and Alexander, a son, Oliver David.

OGILVIE - On August 2nd, to Caroline and Robert, a daughter, Larissa Claire Challinor.

PAGE - On August 3rd, to Sheena and Stephen, a daughter, Elizabeth Ruth, a sister for Jamie and Kirsty.

ROSE - On July 30th, to Sarah (née Kemp) and Steven, a son, Alexander James Enderwick, a brother for Jessica. With our continuing thanks to the staff of S.C.B.U. at The Royal Surrey Hospital.

TOWNSEND - On July 30th, to Rachel (Stevenson) and David, a daughter, Emma.

DEATHS

ALEXANDER - On August 3rd 1991, peacefully at the Marie Curie Fairmile Home, after a courageous struggle against cancer, Anicé Anne, aged 44, of Hailes Terrace, Edinburgh, formerly of Wellington, New Zealand. Funeral at Warriston Crematorium, Main Chapel, on Wednesday August 7th 1991 at 2 pm, to which all friends are invited.

ARNELL - On Sunday August 4th 1991, at Mount Vernon Hospital, Northwood, John Frederick Christopher, aged 80, beloved husband of June, father of David and father-in-law to Anne. Family funeral service at Chiltern Crematorium, Wednesday August 14th at 11 am.

BALLANTINE - On August 8th 1991, Millicent, suddenly. Deeply mourned by her sons Christopher and Nicholas, family and friends, and spaniel Geordie.

BASSETT - On August 5th 1991, William (Cmdr R.N.), aged 87 years. Beloved husband of the late Kay (née Henderson) and a dearly beloved father of Ann Hales and loving grandfather of Alexander, Henrietta and Benjamin. Funeral on Friday August 9th at St Mary's Church, Higham, at 12 noon. Family flowers only, donations if desired to SSAFA c/o W.H. Shephard Funeral Directors, 93-94 High Street, Colchester.

DEATHS

BODEN - On August 4th, with great courage and dignity, Geoff, dearly loved husband of June and father of Nicholas. Funeral Service at Tunbridge Wells Crematorium, Monday August 12th at 3.30 pm. Enquiries to Sears Funeral Service, tel: (0892) 836663. Donations if desired to Cancer Research.

BOWRING - On August 6th 1991, Maire (née Frewen), peacefully at her home in Dalkey, Co. Dublin. Deeply regretted by her loving husband Johnny, sons Peter and Ian, daughters-in-law Annmarie and Joanne, sister Grace, brothers Rory and Ronnie (USA), grandchildren, relatives and friends. Rest in Peace. Funeral Mass today (Wednesday) in Dublin (body donated to medical science).

DUNSTONE - On August 4th 1991, Philip Henry Dunstone T.D., Ph.D., F.R.I.C.S., of Abbots Morton, Worcester, dearly loved husband of Audrey and much loved father and grandfather. Funeral for family and close friends on Friday August 9th at 2 pm, St Peter's Church, Abbots Morton. Family flowers only but, if desired, donations to The Royal Star and Garter Home, Richmond or Association for International Cancer Research (A.I.C.R.) may be sent c/o G. Crump & Son, 35 Hanbury Road, Droitwich, Worcs. WR9 8PW. A Service of Thanksgiving is to be announced shortly.

GIBBONS - On August 4th, peacefully, Geoffrey, loving husband of Jean and father of Anthony and Philippa. Private cremation. Service of Remembrance at All Saints Church, Selworthy, at 2 pm on Tuesday August 27th. No flowers but donations to the Porlock Branch of Riding for the Disabled may be sent to Hayes Funeral Directors, Porlock.

GILES - On Tuesday August 6th 1991, after a long illness borne with great courage, Miriam Dominica, beloved wife of Michael and dearly loved mother of Sarah, Peter and Arrabella. Funeral private. *Service of* Thanksgiving at St Martin's, Little Waltham, on Saturday August 10th at 3 pm. Family flowers only. Donations, if desired, to The Injured Jockeys Fund, PO Box 9, Newmarket, CB8 8JG.

GLATZEL - On August 4th 1991, peacefully at home with Linda, Kate and Niall, Donald Lawrence Glatzel, a dearly loved husband and father. Chairman of Cope and Timmins Holdings Ltd. and Immediate Past Master of the Worshipful Company of Upholders. Funeral Service at St Mary's Church, Monken Hadley, on Monday August 12th at 2.15 pm, followed by cremation at Enfield Crematorium. No flowers by request, but donations if desired to The North London Hospice, 269 Ballards Lane, London N12 8NR.

GODFREY BIRD - On August 5th in Winchester, Francis Doyne, O.B.E., Colonel *Royal Marines*, Fleet Air Arm 1936-1948. For 51 years devoted and greatly loved husband of Anne, father of Doyne, Nicholas and Jonathan, grandfather of Noemi and Michael. Funeral Service at The Chapel of St Cross, Winchester, on Monday August 12th at 2pm. *Donations if desired to* R.N.L.I. c/o Jno Steel & Son, Chesil House, Winchester.

GONDA - On July 28th 1991, Dr. Jan Gonda, Professor Emeritus of Sanskrit Utrecht University. Honorary Member Royal Asiatic Society, Foreign honorary Member American Academy of Arts and Sciences and of several Indian Research Institutes.

HARDWICK - On August 4th 1991, peacefully in hospital, Thomas George Guy, much loved husband of Nicki, father of Jane and Hester, father-in-law of Martin and Maurice, grandfather of Thomas, Emma, Timothy and Carla. Funeral has taken place.

HODGE - On August 5th 1991, peacefully in hospital after a long illness, Geraldine. Beloved wife of Gerry, mother to Simon, Dominic and Patrick and daughter of Gladys. Requiem Mass at the Church of the Sacred Heart, Bordon, on Wednesday August 14th at 10 am, followed by cremation at Aldershot. Flowers to Thorne-Leggett, Petersfield Road, Whitehill, Bordon.

DEATHS

HARVEY - On Thursday August 1st, after a long illness bravely fought, Douglas Robert Harvey, O.B.E., of Edenwood, Langwathby, dearly loved husband of Patricia, loved father of Michael and Giles and grandpa of Matthew, Samantha and Sophie. Funeral Service and Interment at St Cuthbert's Church, Edenhall, Penrith, on Wednesday August 7th at 11.30 am.

MANOLATOS - On August 5th 1991, Spyros, much loved son of Helen Manolatos and Dimitri Manolatos, brother of Alex and grandson of Frosso Mostra.

MITCHELL - On August 5th, Katharine Sybil Mitchell, of Lenham, Kent, aged 88. Funeral Friday August 9th at 2 pm at St Mary's Church, Lenham. Family flowers only but donations, if liked, to St Mary's Church.

MOSS - On August 4th, peacefully at home in West Burton, Eric Oscar, loving husband of Joyce, brother of Kenneth and dear father of Juliet, John, Malcolm and the late Neil. Cremation and service at Skipton Crematorium on Friday August 9th at 2 pm. No flowers but donations to charity, Marie Curie preferred.

NEWTON - On July 29th, peacefully in St Helena Hospice, Henry James Wells, aged 69 years. Late of the 43rd Light Infantry and The Royal Green Jackets. Cremation has taken place. Donations if desired for St Helena Hospice, c/o W.H. Shephard Funeral Directors, 93/94 High Street, Colchester, CO1 1TH.

POOLES - On August 3rd, peacefully at his second home in West Wittering, Richard Ingram (Dick). Funeral at Chichester Crematorium on Monday August 12th at 12 noon. Family flowers only but donations if desired for the Chest, Heart and Stroke Association c/o Edward White & Son, 5 South Pallant, Chichester, (0243) 782136. Memorial Service on Wednesday September 11th at 3 pm at St Andrew's Church, Ham Common, Richmond.

PRICE - On August 2nd, suddenly and peacefully when on holiday in France, David Henry, aged 69, dearly loved husband of Jackie, much loved by his children Norman and Sue and his son-in-law Mike and daughter-in-law Jane, loving grandfather of Katie, Holly, Jenny and Sophie. Family flowers, and donations if wished, to Royal Naval Benevolent Society, to A.B. Walker & Sons, Funeral Directors, Eldon House, 36 Eldon Road, Reading and funeral at All Saints Church, *Wokingham, at 3 pm* Monday August 12th.

RIPPON - On August 3rd, peacefully and with dignity, at Little Orchards, fortified by the rites of Holy Church, Olga Civens (née Felgate), wife of Peter, mother of Peter and Georgina, grandmother of Anna, Max, *George and Eleanor*. Private family Requiem at Our Lady Immaculate, Chelmsford. No flowers, please, but donations welcome to the charity for which she worked so hard and long, Chelmsford Medical Education and Research Trust (Regd. No. 237690), Broomfield Hospital, Chelmsford CM1 5ET. A Memorial Service will be notified later.

ROBERTS - On August 3rd, at Solihull Hospital, Trevor, aged 48, beloved husband of Anne and dear father of John and Joanne. Former Head of Pictures for the Birmingham Post & Mail. Funeral Service at Robin Hood Crematorium, Hall Green, Birmingham, on Thursday August 8th at 3.30pm. All friends and ex-photographer colleagues invited. No flowers by request but donations may be made to the Coronary Care Unit, Solihull Hospital through Dyson Richards, Funeral Directors, 457 Stratford Road, Shirley, Solihull, West Midlands B90 4AA.

ROSEFIELD - On August 5th 1991, after being taken ill on holiday, Marjorie (née Ascher), widow of Dr. Benny Rosefield of Hammersmith. Funeral at Willesden Liberal Cemetery, Pound Lane, Willesden, on Thursday August 8th at 3 pm. Mourned by her relatives and friends. No flowers but donations, if desired, to the Friends of Hammersmith Hospital.

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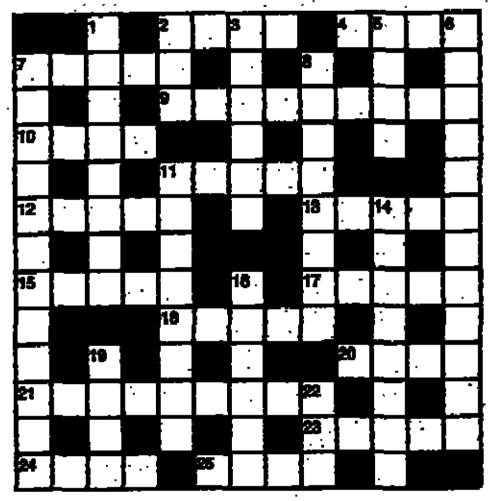

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LAYCOCK nee DANIELS LILIAN MAY LAYCOCK nee DANIELS Widow late of 44 Recreation Road, North Walsham, Norfolk died at Cromer, Norfolk on 11th April 1991
(Estate about £20,000)

McKENNA, ISABEL McKENNA otherwise ISOBEL McKENNA otherwise ISABELLA McKENNA Spinster late of Shenley Hospital, Shenley, Nr. Radlett, Hertfordshire died There on 3rd March 1989
(Estate about £9,000)

NAPIER-EWING, COLIN HUGH NAPIER-EWING late of Old Manor Hospital, Wilton Road, Salisbury, Wiltshire died There on 27th December 1989
(Estate about £15,700)

SPOROVER, HETTIE SPOROVER Widow late of 29 Windsor House, Cumberland Market, Regents Park London NW1 died Westminster, London W2 on 21st March 1990
(Estate about £7,500)

The kin of the above-named are requested to apply to the Treasury Solicitor (B.V.), Queen Anne's Chambers, 28 Broadway, London SW1H 9JS, failing which the Treasury Solicitor may take steps to administer the estate.

TURNER nee BAMFORD, ELIZABETH TURNER nee BAMFORD Married Woman late of 1 Knollys House, Olinda Street, Portsmouth, Hampshire died at Portsmouth on 11th December 1987.
(Estate about £5,100)

The Husband and kin of the above-named are requested to apply to the Treasury Solicitor (B.V.), Queen Anne's Chambers, 28 Broadway, London SW1H 9JS, failing which the Treasury Solicitor may take steps to administer the estate.

LEGAL NOTICES

AYLESBURY ASSOCIATES
TAKE NOTICE that we PAUL JOHN MARTIN and STEPHEN DAVID SCOTT both solicitors of the Supreme Court of Tenison House 45 Tweedy Road Bromley in the London Borough of Bromley have been appointed by the Financial Intermediaries Managers and Brokers Regulatory Association (FIMBRA) Trustees over all clients' money and other assets belonging to investors which are held by or to the order of Aylesbury Associates.
Any persons who are clients or investors with Aylesbury Associates are requested to notify the Trustees of their interest by the 20th August 1991.

Diswinco Supplies Limited
NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN, pursuant to Section 98 of the Insolvency Act 1986 that a Meeting of Creditors of the above-named company will be held at 81 Station Road, Marlow, Buckinghamshire, SL7 1NS on Thursday 15th August 1991 at 2.30pm for the purposes mention in Sections 100 and 101 of the said Act.
Mr Mark Stephen Goldstein FIPA, of Hughes-Holland & Co, 81 Station Road, Marlow, Buckinghamshire, SL7 1NS, is qualified to act as an insolvency practitioner in relation at the above company and will furnish creditors free of charge with such information concerning the company's affairs as is reasonably required.
Dated this 29th day
of July 1991
BY ORDER OF THE BOARD
D. SMITH
DIRECTOR

GWYNVETT EUROPEAN SECURITIES LIMITED
(IN MEMBERS' VOLUNTARY LIQUIDATION)
COMPANY NUMBER: 2026929
NOTICE TO CREDITORS
On 16 July 1991 the above company was placed into Members' Voluntary Liquidation and David Bryden Davidson of Arthur Andersen & Co., 141 Walker Street, North Sydney, NSW 2060, Australia, was appointed Liquidator by the Members.
The Liquidator gives notice pursuant to Rule 4.182A of the Insolvency Rules 1986 that the creditors of the company must send details, in writing, of any claim against the company to the Liquidator, c/o Arthur Andersen & Co., Level 31, UIC Building, 5 Shenton Way, Singapore 0106 by 15 October 1991.
The Liquidator also gives notice under the provision of Rule 4.182A(6) that on 15 November 1991 he intends to make a final return to creditors who have submitted claims by 15 October 1991 and that there will be no further distribution to creditors.
The company is able to pay all of its known creditors in full.
Dated 30 July 1991
David Bryden Davidson
Liquidator

IN THE MATTER OF
W. LIPKA LIMITED
AND
IN THE MATTER OF
THE INSOLVENCY ACT 1986
NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that the Creditors of the above-named company, which is being voluntarily wound up, are required, on or before the 17th day of September 1991 to send in their full christian and surnames, their addresses and descriptions, full particulars of their debts or claims, and the names and addresses of their solicitors (if any) to the undersigned SURJIT KUMAR SINGLA, FCA of SINGLA & COMPANY Chartered Accountants, 49 Queen Victoria Street, London EC4N 4SA, the Liquidator of the said company, and if so required by notice in writing from the said Liquidator, are personally or by their solicitors, to come in and prove their debts or claims at such time and place as shall be specified in such notice, or in default thereof they will be excluded from the benefit of any distribution made before such debts are proved
DATED this 17th day
of July 1991
S. K. SINGLA
Liquidator
NOTE: The above notice is purely formal as all known creditors have been or will be paid in full.

IN THE MATTER OF
SPENCER CONSTRUCTION LIMITED
AND
IN THE MATTER OF
THE INSOLVENCY ACT 1986
NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that the creditors of the above-named Company, which is being voluntarily wound up, are required, on or before the 30th August 1991, to send in their full Christian and surnames, their addresses and description, full particulars of their debts or claims, and the names and addresses of their Solicitors (if any), to the undersigned David Julian Buchler, of Buchler Phillips & Co., 84 Grosvenor Street, London W1X 9DF the Liquidator of the said Company, and, if so required by notice in writing from the said Liquidator, are, personally or by their Solicitors, to come in and prove their debts or claims at such time and place as shall be specified in such notice, or in default thereof they will be excluded from the benefit of any distribution made before such debts are proved
30 July 1991
David Julian Buchler
Liquidator

IN THE MATTER OF
Victor Edwards *Associates Limited*
AND
IN THE MATTER OF
THE INSOLVENCY RULES 1986
In accordance with Rule 4.106 of The Insolvency Rules 1986 notice is hereby given that I, Peter S Dunn, FCA, a Licensed Insolvency Practitioner of Latham Crossley & Davis, 45 Conduit Street, London, W1R 9FB, was appointed Liquidator of the above Company by the Members on 18th July 1991.
DATED THIS 18th July 1991
Peter S Dunn FCA
Liquidator
Latham Crossley & Davis
45 Conduit Street
London W1R 9FB.

LEGAL NOTICES

IN THE MATTER OF
SPENCER COMMERCIAL LIMITED
AND
IN THE MATTER OF
THE INSOLVENCY ACT 1986
NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that the creditors of the above-named Company, which is being voluntarily wound up, are required, on or before the 30th August 1991, to send in their full Christian and surnames, their addresses and description, full particulars of their debts or claims, and the names and addresses of their Solicitors (if any), to the undersigned David Julian Buchler, of Buchler Phil*lips & Co., 84 Grosvenor Street,* London W1X 9DF the Liquidator of the said Company, and, if so required by notice in writing from the said Liquidator, are, personally or by their Solicitors, to come in and prove their debts or claims at such time and place as shall be specified in such notice, or in default thereof they will be excluded from the benefit of any distribution made before such debts are proved.
30 July 1991
David Julian Buchler
Liquidator

In the matter of
PORLIEU LIMITED
(IN MEMBERS' VOLUNTARY LIQUIDATION)
COMPANY NUMBER: 981732
NOTICE TO CREDITORS
On 26 July 1991 the above named company was placed into Members' Voluntary Liquidation and Martin Fishman of Arthur Andersen & Co., P.O. Box 55, 1 Surrey Street, London, WC2R 2NT, was appointed Liquidator by the Members.
The Liquidator gives notice pursuant to Rule 4.182A of the Insolvency Rules 1986 that the creditors of the company must send details, in writing, of my *claim against the company to the* Liquidator, at the above address, by 27 September 1991.
The Liquidator also gives notice under the provision of Rule 4.182A(6) that on 10 October he intends to make a final return to creditors who have submitted claims by 27 September 1991 and that there will be no further distribution to creditors.
The company is able to pay all its known creditors in full.
DATED 30 JULY 1991
M FISHMAN

In the High Court of Justice
In the Matter of
Brimot International Limited
No 003337 of 1991
Brimot (UK) Limited
No 004027 of 1991
And
In the Matter of
The Insolvency Act 1986
Take notice that I, Helen Elizabeth Nelmes, have been appointed Liquidator of the companies. All debts due to the companies must be paid to me. Creditors who have not proved their debts should send their claims to me.
Dated 26 July 1991
H E Nelmes
Haines Watts Insolvency Services, Graham House, 131 Edmund Street, Birmingham B3 2HJ.

IN THE MATTER OF
REFLEX MANAGEMENT SERVICES LIMITED
AND
IN THE MATTER OF
THE INSOLVENCY ACT 1986
NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that at a meeting of creditors of the above-named company convened under the provisions of Section 98 of the Insolvency Act 1986 and held on 2nd August 1991, I Joan Yvonne Yetvill of Carter Backer Winter, Hill House, Highgate Hill, London N19 5UU, was duly appointed Liquidator of the above-named company.
Dated this 2nd day
of August 1991.

IN THE MATTER OF
SPENCER CONSTRUCTION LIMITED
AND
IN THE MATTER OF
THE INSOLVENCY ACT 1986
NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN pursuant to Rule 4.106 of the Insolvency Rules 1986 that on Thursday 25th July 1991 I David Julian Buchler of Buchler Phillips & Co., 84 Grosvenor Street, London W1X 9DF was appointed Liquidator of the above-named company by the members and creditors.
David Julian Buchler

IN THE MATTER OF
SPENCER COMMERCIAL LIMITED
AND
IN THE MATTER OF
THE INSOLVENCY ACT 1986
NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN pursuant to Rule 4.106 of the Insolvency Rules 1986 that on Thursday 25th July 1991 I David Julian Buchler of Buchler Phillips & Co., 84 Grosvenor Street, London W1X 9DF was appointed Liquidator of the above-named company by the members and creditors.
David Julian Buchler.

KMC INTERIOR CONTRACTS *LIMITED*
THE INSOLVENCY ACT 1986
NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN pursuant to Section 98 of the Insolvency Act, 1986, that a meeting of the creditors of the above named company will be held at the offices of Poppleton & Appleby, 32 High Street, Manchester, M4 1QD on Thursday the 8th day of August 1991 at 12 o'clock noon, for the purposes mentioned in Sections 99, 100 and 101 of the said Act.
Pursuant to Section 98, Subsection (2)(a) of the Act, Mr Peter Lomas of Poppleton & Appleby, 32 High Street, Manchester, M4 1QD is appointed to act as the Qualified Insolvency Practitioner who will furnish creditors with such information as they may reasonably require.
DATED THIS 30TH DAY
OF JULY 1991
BY ORDER OF THE BOARD
DAVID CAPPER
DIRECTOR

No 007401 of 1991
IN THE HIGH COURT OF JUSTICE
CHANCERY DIVISION
IN THE MATTER OF
FIBRE REINFORCED PRODUCTS LIMITED
and
IN THE MATTER OF
THE COMPANIES ACT 1985
NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that the Order of the High Court of Justice (Chancery Division) dated Tuesday the 23rd day of July 1991 confirming the reduction of the capital of the above named Company from £2,181,770 to £2,175 and the Minute approved by the Court showing with respect to the capital of the Company as altered the several particulars required by the above mentioned Act were registered by the Registrar of Companies on the first day of August 1991.
A copy of the said Order will be furnished to such person requiring the same by the undermentioned solicitors on payment of the regulated charge for the same.
DATED this 5th day
of August 1991
Messrs Actons
2 King Street
Nottingham NG1 2AX
Solicitors
for the above-named Company
Ref: CPB - C Boyd

No 49 of 1990
In the Guildford County Court
In the matter of
Clifford-Cooper Limited
And
In the Matter of
The Insolvency Act 1986
Take notice that I, Helen Elizabeth Nelmes, have been appointed liquidator of the company. All debts due to the company must be paid to me. Creditors who have not proved their debts should send their claims to me.
Dated 26 July 1991
H E Nelmes
Haines Watts Insolvency Services
Graham House, 131 Edmund Street, Birmingham B3 2HJ.

NOTICE OF MEETINGS OF CREDITORS
Linden Cards and Gifts Ltd
(In Administrative Receivership)
Linden Holdings Ltd
(In Administrative Receivership)
Linden Packaging Ltd
(In Administrative Receivership)
Linden Greetings Ltd
(In Administrative Receivership)
Notice is hereby given, in accordance with Section 48 of the Insolvency Act 1986, that meetings of the creditors of the above named companies will be held at the Strathdon Thistle Hotel, Derby Road, Nottingham at 11 am on Monday August 12, 1991, for the purposes of having an account laid before them, show*ing the events leading up to the* appointment of Joint Administrative Receivers, the manner in which the Administrative Receiverships have been conducted and the property of the companies has been disposed of, and for hearing any explanation that may be given by the Joint Administrative Receivers.
Creditors whose claims are wholly secured are not entitled to *attend or to be represented at the* meetings. A person is entitled to vote at the meetings only if he has given to the Joint Administrative Receivers, not later than 12.00 midday on the business day before the above day fixed for the meetings, details in writing of the debts which he claims to be due to him from the companies, and this claim has been duly admitted by the Joint Administrative Receivers. A creditor entitled to attend and vote at the meetings may appoint a proxy or proxies to attend and vote instead of him.
Dated this 26th day
of July, 1991
D J Buchler
Joint Administrative Receiver

LEGAL NOTICES

Notice of appointment of Administrative Receiver
In the matter of
ADVANCED TECHNOLOGY PRODUCTS LIMITED
and
In the Matter of
The Insolvency Act 1986
ADVANCED TECHNOLOGY PRODUCTS LIMITED
Registered number: 1648936
Trading names: Advanced Technology Products/ATPL. Nature of business: Computer Control Systems Manufacturers. Trade classification: 07. Date of appointment of administrative receivers: 25 July 1991. Name of person appointing the administrative receivers: National Westminster Bank Plc. Joint Administrative Receivers: David John Blenkarn and Richard James Rees, (office holder nos) 6676 and 4620. Address: Price Waterhouse, Victoria House, 76 Milton Street, Nottingham NG1 3QY.

Notice of appointment of Liquidator
Voluntary winding up (Members)
Pursuant to section 109 of The Insolvency Act 1986
Company Number: 981732.
Name of company: Porlieu Limited. Previous names of company if any: Brown Line Ltd. Tridair UK Ltd. Nature of business: Sale of fastener products. Type of Liquidation: Members. Address of registered office: P.O. Box 55, 1 Surrey Street, London WC2R 2NT. Liquidator name and address: Martin Fishman, Arthur Andersen & Co., P.O. Box 55, 1 Surrey Street, London WC2R 2NT. Office holder no. 6470. Date of appointment: 26 July 1991. By whom appointed: Members. Date: 30.7.91.

Notice of appointment of liquidator
voluntary winding up (Members)
Pursuant to section 109 of The Insolvency Act 1986
Company Number: 2026929
Name of company: Gwynvett European Securities Limited. Nature of business: Offshore Company Investing in Securities. Type of Liquidation: Members. Address of registered office: Becket House, 1 Lambeth Palace Road, London. Liquidator name and address: David Bryden Davidson, Arthur Andersen & Co., 141 Walker Street, North Sydney NSW 2060 Australia. Office holder no: 007315/01. Date of appointment: 16 July 1991. By whom appointed: Members. Date: 22/7/91.

Notice of Appointment of Administrative Receiver
MINES & WEST LIMITED
Registered No. 932501. Former Company Names: *Mines & West* Group Limited/Mines & West of Downley Limited/H J Ryman Wycombe Limited. Nature of Business: Furniture Manufacturer. Trade Classification 09. Date of Appointment of Administrative Receivers: 26th July 1991. Name of Person Appointing the Administrative Receivers: National Westminster Bank Plc. Joint Administrative Receivers: A.R. Bloom and N. J. Hamilton. *Office Holder Nos: 6462 and* 2090. Address: Ernst & Young, Becket House, 1 Lambeth Palace Road, London SE1 7EU.

Notice of appointment of liquidator
Voluntary winding up (Creditors)
Pursuant to section 109 of the Insolvency Act 1986
Company Number: 2207206.
Name of company: Swiftheat Asbestos Services Ltd. Nature of business: Asbestos Consultants. Address of registered office: Treviot House, 186-192 High Road, Ilford, Essex, IG1 1JQ. Type of Liquidation: Creditors. Liquidator: Richard Andrew Segal, Treviot House, 186-192 High Road, Ilford, Essex IG1 1JQ. Office holder no: 002685. Date of appointment: 26 July 1991. By *whom appointed: The Members &* Creditors. Date: 29 July 1991.

Notice of appointment of liquidator
Voluntary winding up (Creditors)
Pursuant to section 109 of the Insolvency Act 1986
Company Number: 2240933.
Name of company: Plusnow Ltd T/A IMA Fabrications. Nature of business: Steelwork Fabricators. Address of registered office: Treviot House, 186-192 High Road, Ilford, Essex, IG1 1JQ. Type of Liquidation: Creditors. Liquidator: Richard Andrew Segal, Treviot House, 186-192 High Road, Ilford, Essex IG1 1JQ. Office holder no: 002685. Date of appointment: 22 July 1991. By whom appointed: The Members & Creditors. Date: 23 July 1991.

Notice of Appointment of Administrative Receiver
METAL FABRICATORS LIMITED
Registered No: 827795. Former Company Name: Penn Polystyrene Products Limited. Nature of Business: Non-trading. Trade Classification: 09. Date of Appointment of Administrative Receivers: 26th July 1991. Name *of Person Appointing the Administrative* Receivers: National Westminster Bank Plc. Joint Administrative Receivers: A.R Bloom and N. J. Hamilton. Office Holder Nos. 6462 and 2090. Address: Ernst & Young, Becket House, 1 Lambeth Palace Road, London SE1 7EU.

Notice of appointment of liquidator
Voluntary winding *up* (Creditors)
Pursuant to section 109 of the Insolvency Act 1986
Company Number: 1651651.
Name of company: Starsun Limited. Nature of business: Manufacturers of Furniture. Address of registered office: Treviot House, 186-192 High Road, Ilford, Essex. Type of Liquidation: Creditors. Liquidator: Richard Andrew Segal, Treviot House, 186-192 High Road, Ilford, Essex IG1 1JQ. Office holder no: 002685. Date of appointment: 26 July 1991. By whom appointed: The Members & Creditors. Date: 29 July 1991.

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Notice of Appointment of Administrative Receiver
MINES & WEST GROUP LIMITED
Registered No. 482695. Former Company Name: Mines & West Limited. Nature of Business: Holding Company Trade Classification: 09 Date of Appointment of Administrative Receivers: 26th July 1991 Name of Person Appointing the Administrative Receivers: National Westminster Bank Plc. Joint Administrative Receivers, A.R. Bloom and N J. Hamilton. Office Holder Nos: 6462 and 2090. Address, Ernst & Young, Becket House, 1 Lambeth Palace Road, London SE1 7EL.

Notice of Appointment of Administrative Receiver
The Old Rectory and Coach House Ltd
Registered Office: The Old Rectory, East Farleigh, Barming, Kent ME16 9LY. Nature of business: Health and Fitness Club. Trade classification: Recreational Services Date of appointment of administrative receivers 29 July 1991. Name of person appointing the administrative receivers. Guardian Assurance Plc Joint Administrative Receivers. EDS Kirker No. 3060 and J S Baird No: 1074 Address. 78 Hatton Garden London EC1N 8JA

Notice of Appointment of Administrative Receiver
BELMONT HOUSE PROPERTIES LTD.
Registered number: 942060
Trading name Belmont Lodge Hotel Nature of business. Hotel and Golf Club Trade classification: 39. Date of appointment of administrative receivers. 23 July 1991 Name of person appointing the administrative receivers. Fennoscandia Bank Ltd. Joint Administrative Receivers: Martin Fishman and John Andrew Talbot. Address. P O Box 55. 1 Surrey Street, London WC2R 2NT

Notice of Appointment of Administrative Receiver
HAVENBOLD LTD.
Registered number 2379110
Nature of business: Holding Company for Hotel and Golf Club. Trade classification: 39 Date of appointment of administrative receivers. 23 July 1991 Name of person appointing the administrative receivers: Fennoscandia Bank Ltd. Joint Administrative Receivers Martin Fishman and John Andrew Talbot. Address. P O Box 55. 1 Surrey Street. London WC2R 2NT.

RE. PRINTING PROJECTS LIMITED
and
The Insolvency Act 1986
NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN, pursuant to Section 98 of the Insolvency Act, 1986 that a Meet*ing of the Creditors of the above* named Company will be held at Treviot House, 186-192 High Road, Ilford, Essex IG1 1JQ on Monday the 19th August 1991, at 2.00 o'clock in the afternoon, for the purposes mentioned in Sections 99, 100 and 101 of the said Act.
A list of the names and addresses of the Company's Creditors will be available for inspection free of charge at the offices of Segal Davis & Rose, Treviot House, 186-192 High Road, Ilford, Essex IG1 1JQ between 10.00 a.m. and 4.00 p.m. as from Thursday 15th August 1991.
Dated this 1st day
of August 1991
A Lochhead
Director

THE INSOLVENCY RULES 1986
MERLIN AIR SERVICES LIMITED
(IN RECEIVERSHIP)
NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN pursuant to Rule 3.9 of the Insolvency Rules 1986, that a Meeting of the Creditors of Merlin Air Services Limited will be held at 1 Blythswood Square, Glasgow on 29 August 1991 at 11 o'clock in the forenoon. The Receivers' report will be presented to the meeting and the opportunity given to elect a committee to represent the creditors.
A Creditor will be entitled to vote at the meeting only if details in writing of the debt claimed to be due to him by the company have been given to the administrative receivers at 1 Blythswood Square, Glasgow, G2 4AD no later than 12.00 noon on the business day before the day fixed for the meeting, and the claim has been admitted in accordance with the Insolvency Rules 1986. Copies of the Receivers' report will be provided free of charge to all creditors who ask the Receivers for a copy at the above address.
Creditors may vote either in person or by proxy and a proxy should be lodged with the administrative receivers if possible before the meeting. A secured creditor is entitled to vote only in *respect of the balance if any of his* debts after deducting the value of his security as estimated by him. Creditors who are wholly secured are not entitled to be represented or to vote.
Dated this thirty first
day of July 1991
GI Bennet
Joint Administrative Receiver

THE INSOLVENCY ACT 1986
ANDERSON & COMPANY (TEA MERCHANTS) LIMITED
(IN RECEIVERSHIP)
FORMERLY BETJEMAN & BARTON (LONDON) LIMITED
Notice is hereby given pursuant to Section 48 of the Insolvency Act 1986, that a meeting of the creditors of the above company will be held at Bridford House, 11 Gough Square, London EC4A 3DN on 10 am on 21 August 1991.
In order for creditors to be able to vote, details of their claims must be lodged at 25 New Street Square, London, EC4A 3LN, not later than 12 noon on 20 August 1991. In addition, a form of proxy must also be lodged prior to the meeting.
A copy of the Administrative Receiver's report is available free of charge upon written request to L J Baehr, Administrative Receiver, Clark Whitehill & Co., 25 New Street Square, London EC4A 3LN.
Date 1st August 1991
L. J. Baehr
Administrative Receiver

LEGAL NOTICES

THE INSOLVENCY ACT 1986
ASL PUBLISHING LIMITED
38 WESTGATE STREET
IPSWICH SUFFOLK IP1 3ED
NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN pursuant to Section 98 of the Insolvency Act 1986, that a meeting of the creditors of the above named company will be held at the Westminster Chamber of Commerce, 177 Regent Street London W1R 8DJ on Wednesday 21st August 1991 at 11.00 am, for the purposes mentioned in Sections 99 to 101 of the said Act
Edward John Wacey of Buchler Phillips & Co, 84 Grosvenor Street, London W1X 9DF (telephone 071-493 2550) who is qualified to act as an insolvency practitioner in relation to the above named Company will, during the period before the date of the Meeting of Creditors provide creditors free of charge with such information about the Company's affairs as they may reasonably require.
Creditors wishing to vote at the meeting must lodge a full statement of account and an informal proof of debt and unless attending in person a proxy at Buchler Phillips & Co., 84 Grosvenor Street London, W1X 9DF no later than 12 noon on Tuesday 20th August 1991. Secured creditors must unless they surrender their security, give particulars of their security and its assessed value if they wish to vote at the Meeting
By Order of the Board
30th July 1991
Sandra Lees
Director

THE INSOLVENCY RULES 1986
LAKELAND FURNISHINGS LIMITED
(IN RECEIVERSHIP)
NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN pursuant to Rule 3.9 of the Insolvency Rules 1986, that a Meeting of the Creditors of Lakeland Furnishings Limited will be held at the Cumbria Park Hotel, Scotland Road, Carlisle on 27 August 1991 at 11 o'clock in the forenoon. The Receivers' report will be presented to the meeting and the opportunity given to elect a committee to represent the creditors.
A Creditor will be entitled to vote at the meeting only if details in writing of the debt claimed to be due to him by the company have been given to the administrative receivers at 1 Blythswood Square, Glasgow, G2 4AD no *later than 12.00 noon on the business* day before the day fixed for the meeting, and the claim has been admitted in accordance with the Insolvency Rules 1986.
Creditors may vote either in person or by proxy and a proxy should be lodged with the administrative receivers if possible before the meeting. A secured creditor is entitled to vote only in respect of the balance if any of his debts after deducting the value of *his security as estimated by him.* Creditors who are wholly secured are not entitled to be represented or to vote.
Dated this thirty first
day of July 1991
GI Bennet
Joint Administrative Receiver

THE INSOLVENCY ACT 1986
CHAPMAN & HANSON LIMITED
29 WIDMORE ROAD
BROMLEY KENT BR1 1RT
NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN pursuant to Section 98 of the Insolvency Act 1986, that a Meeting of the creditors of the above named company will be held at the offices of Buchler Phillips & Co., 84 Grosvenor Street, London W1X 9DF on Friday 16th August 1991 at 10.30 am, for the purposes mentioned in Sections 99 to 101 of the said Act
A list of the names and addresses of the company's creditors will be available for inspection free of charge at Buchler Phillips & Co., 84 Grosvenor Street, London, W1X 9DF between 10.00 am and 4.00 pm on Wednesday 14th August and Thursday 15th August 1991
Creditors wishing to vote at the meeting must lodge a full statement of account and an informal *proof of debt and unless attending* in person a proxy in the form attached at Buchler Phillips & Co., 84 Grosvenor Street, London, W1X 9DF no later than 12 noon on Thursday 15th August 1991. Secured creditors must, unless they surrender their security, give particulars of their security and its assessed value if they wish to vote at the Meeting.
By Order of the Board
1st August 1991
David I Leigh
Director

VICTOR EDWARDS ASSOCIATES LIMITED
(In Voluntary Liquidation)
Notice is hereby given that the Creditors of the above-named Company are required on or before the 15th day of October 1991, to send in their names and addresses, with particulars of their Debts or Claims, and the names and addresses of their Solicitors (if any), to the undersigned P.S. Dunn FCA of Latham Crossley & Davis, 45 Conduit Street, London W1R 9FB the Liquidator of the said Company, and, if so required by notice in writing from the said Liquidator, are by their Solicitors or personally to come in and prove their said Debts or Claims at such time and place as shall be specified in such notice, or in default thereof they will be excluded from the benefit of any distribution made before such debts are proved. This notice is purely formal and all known Creditors have been, or will be paid in full.
Dated 15th July 1991
P.S. Dunn
Liquidator

IN THE MATTER OF
FINEFAX LIMITED
AND
IN THE MATTER OF
THE INSOLVENCY ACT 1986
NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that at a Meeting of creditors of the above-named Company convened under the provisions of Section 98 of the Insolvency Act 1986 and held on 31st July 1991, I Melvyn Julian Carter of Carter Backer Winter, Hill House, Highgate Hill, London N19 5UU, was duly appointed Liquidator of the above-named Company
Dated this 31st day
of July 1991

AUGUST 7 **ON THIS DAY** 1936

The victory of John Lovelock in the 1,500 metres of the Berlin Olympics was even more impressive than the record he set for the mile the year before in the United States. A New Zealand Rhodes scholar, he became a doctor with particular interest in remedial treatment. He was working in New York after the war when he died in a subway accident at the age of 39.

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Lovelock's Crowning Triumph

From Our Special Correspondent

BERLIN, Aug. 6.

Lovelock was no stranger to record-breaking feats, but his crowning triumph had yet to come in an Olympic 1,500 metres. In the absence of his eliminated English rival, S.C. Wooderson, Lovelock carried the main weight of British hopes and fears, and carried it so well that he not only won by five clear yards from Glenn Cunningham, and the rest of a mighty field, but set up a new world record by covering the distance in 3min 47.8sec. His success left little to the imagination, it was so complete and faultless. He had beaten Cunningham, a man who himself had broken a world record in America, and he now beat him again. He beat into third place Beccali, the doughty victor of Los Angeles, even though the latter improved upon his own Olympic record. San Romani, a much fancied American, and P. Edwards, of Canada, who requires no further description, also ran faster over the distance than any Olympic runner before them. J.F. Cornes, Great Britain's representative, ran splendidly, and, though he finished sixth, he achieved a time within two-tenths of a second of the record and would have won any 1,500 metres before 1932.

Cornes, as one fully expected him to do, used his long stride to set the pace. He led for over 300 metres and had a lot to do with the time of 61.4 seconds for the first lap of 400 metres and the record that followed. Lovelock about this period was content to run fifth, but when Cunningham, Ny, the Swede, and Beccali moved up he moved with them in the effortless manner that hides the faintest suspicion of additional effort. Cornes, still running smoothly, did not fall back far, but on the second time round Cunningham, Ny, Lovelock and Beccali were in front of him, and at the bell these four answered to its challenge in their own especial way. The strongly-built Cunningham forged ahead for a bit; Ny, in the Scandinavian manner, lengthened the stride in a confident, threatening manner. Lovelock, always the master of any kind of situation, glided, rather than spurted, into his old position, and when the back stretch had been fairly entered, spurted, or *rather glided again.* Beccali quickened his pace without any uneven hastening, as befitted a champion of long experience. Perhaps he, like more than one close observer, thought Lovelock had spurted a shade too soon. Actually that was an injustice both to Lovelock's judgment and technique.

BEAUTIFUL RUNNING

When a man has set himself to the winning of one event, conscious as it must be assumed, that his stamina would not fail him, he is entitled to go ahead where lesser men would rest content with the ordinary good position in a race. Lovelock, indeed, excelled even himself on this occasion. His spurt had carried him into a lead of, say, five or six yards, and, running on as smoothly and easily as in the first two laps, he held on to the lead into the straight. Cunningham positively tore after him, and Beccali at last sensed the imminence of danger and raced up very fast too. But Lovelock had yet another turn of speed up his sleeve and he was still *five yards in front at the tape.*

As a prelude to the final of the 110 metres hurdles, Towns, flashing over the obstacles until he was well ahead of Lidman, of Sweden, and J. St. L. Thornton, won his heat in 14.1sec., a new world record. Towns, to all intents and purposes, ignored the presence of an obstacle. Stepping over it would be the dullest of dull descriptions ...

CINEMA GUIDE

Geoff Brown's assessment of films in London and (where indicated with the symbol ◆) on release across the country.

NEW RELEASES

AFTER DARK, MY SWEET (18): Tormented drifter (Jason Patric) wanders into a kidnapping plot. Atmospheric thriller (from a Jim Thompson novel) which survives its flaws; director, James Foley.
Camden Plaza (071-485 2443) Cannon Tottenham Court Road (071-636 6148).

◆ BACKDRAFT (15): Overblown fire-fighting epic with awesome flames but paltry characters. Starring Kurt Russell, William Baldwin, Robert De Niro; director, Ron Howard.
Cannons: Baker Street (071-935 9772) Fulham Road (071-370 2636) Empire (071-497 9999) Notting Hill Coronet (071-727 6705) Screen on the Green (071-226 3520) Whiteleys (071-792 3324)

EVERYBODY'S FINE (12): Aged Sicilian (Marcello Mastroianni) seeks out his five children in Italy. Uneven, bitter-sweet drama from *Cinema Paradiso* director Giuseppe Tornatore.
Curzon Mayfair (071-465 8865).

THE LADY FROM THE SHANGHAI CINEMA (15): Frozen exercise in the film noir style from Brazilian director Guilherme de Almeida Prado.
Metro (071-437 0757).

◆ LISTEN UP: THE LIVES OF QUINCY JONES (12): Chaotic, fragmentary portrait of the multi-talented musician, with insights thinly scattered through the hubbub. Director, Ellen Weissbrod.
Cannons: Chelsea (071-352 5096) Tottenham Court Road (071-636 6148)

PRAYER OF THE ROLLERBOYS (15): Silly futuristic gang movie for rollerskating teenagers. With Corey Haim, Patricia Arquette. Director, Rick King
Cannons: Oxford Street (071-636 0310) Panton Street (071-930 0631).

◆ ROCK-A-DOODLE (U): Elvis-voiced rooster finds success and trouble as a rock 'n' roll star. Inventive but frantic cartoon; director, Don Bluth.
Odeons: Kensington (0426 914666) Mezzanine (071-930 6111) Swiss Cottage (071-722 5905) Whiteleys (071-792 3324).

◆ THE ROCKETEER (PG): Hollywood Nazi agents covet miniaturised rocket. Endearing family romp with amusing period detail. Starring Bill Campbell, Jennifer Connelly, Timothy Dalton Director, Joe Johnston
Camden Parkway (071-267 7034) Cannons: Chelsea (071-352 5096) Haymarket (071-839 1527) Tottenham Court Road (071-636 6149) Odeons: Kensington (0426 914666) Marble Arch (071-723 2011) Swiss Cottage (071-722 5905) Whiteleys (071-792 3324) Warner (071-439 0791).

CURRENT

ALICE (12): Woody Allen's comic fantasy about a Manhattan wife in crisis. Loose and flimsy, but with a marvellous Mia Farrow performance.
Odeon Haymarket (071-839 7697).

ANDREI RUBLEV (12): Tarkovsky's stunning fresco, completed in 1966, of an icon painter's life in medieval Russia.
Renoir (071-837 8402).

◆ CINDERELLA (U): Revival of Disney's 1950 cartoon.
Cannons: Chelsea (071-352 5096) Oxford Street (071-636 0310) Odeons: Kensington (0426 914666) Warner (071-439 0791) Whiteleys (071-792 3324).

◆ EDWARD SCISSORHANDS (PG): Tim Burton's captivating fantasy about a boy with scissors for hands at large in American suburbia. With Johnny Depp, Dianne Wiest, Winona Ryder.
Cannon Chelsea (071-352 5096) Odeons: Leicester Square (071-930 6111) Swiss Cottage (071-586 3057) Kensington (071-602 6644) Screen on Baker Street (071-935 2772) Whiteleys (071-792 3303)

HENRY: PORTRAIT OF A SERIAL KILLER (18): Devastating, fly-on-the-wall study of human depravity in Chicago Director, John McNaughton.
Cannon Panton Street (071-930 0631) Metro (071-437 0757).

◆ HUDSON HAWK (15): Cat-burglar Bruce Willis gets drawn into a plan to conquer the world. Profligate, dismal action-comedy with a low IQ. Director, Michael Lehmann.
Cannon Panton Street (071-930 0631) Odeon Kensington (0426 914666) Whiteleys (071-792 3324).

◆ IN BED WITH MADONNA (18): Exhilarating, eye-opening portrait, shot during her 1990 world tour. Director, Alek Keshishian.
Cannons: Chelsea (071-352 5096) Haymarket (071-839 1527) Odeons: Kensington (0426 914666) Mezzanine (071-839 1929) Swiss Cottage (071-722 5905).

◆ THE NAKED GUN 2½ — THE SMELL OF FEAR (12): Leslie Nielsen returns as accident-prone Lt Frank Drebin. Riotous dead-pan comedy. With Priscilla Presley; directed by David Zucker.
Cannons: Baker Street (071-935 9772) Fulham Road (071-370 2636) Empire (071-497 9999) Whiteleys (071-792 3324).

NOT WITHOUT MY DAUGHTER (12): Sally Field as an all-American wife trying to escape the Ayatollah's Iran. Earnest drama, peopled by puppets. With Alfred Molina; director, Brian Gilbert.
Plaza (071-497 9999).

◆ ROBIN HOOD, PRINCE OF THIEVES (PG): Splashy epic by Kevin Reynolds with no coherent style, a scene-stealing Sheriff of Nottingham (Alan Rickman), and a miscast star (Kevin Costner).
Barbican (071-638 8891) Camden Parkway (071-267 7034) Cannons: Fulham Road (071-370 2636) Haymarket (071-839 1527) Oxford Street (071-636 0310) Shaftesbury Avenue (071-836 6279) Warner (071-439 0791) Whiteleys (071-792 3324).

◆ THE SILENCE OF THE LAMBS (18): Jodie Foster's FBI trainee confronts Anthony Hopkins, evil incarnate. Intense, highly polished, and repellent thriller from director Jonathan Demme.
Cannons: Oxford Street (071-636 0310) Odeons: Kensington (0426 914666) Mezzanine (071-930 6111) Plaza (071-497 9999) Whiteleys (071-792 3324) Warner (071-439 0791).

◆ THELMA & LOUISE (15): Distaff road movie with Geena Davis and Susan Sarandon fleeing through the American South-West. Bracing adventure from director Ridley Scott.
Cannons: Fulham Road (071-370 2636) Oxford Street (071-636 0310) Shaftesbury Avenue (071-836 8861) Plaza (071-497 9999) Screen on Baker Street (071-935 2772) Whiteleys (071-792 3324).

THEATRE GUIDE

Jeremy Kingston's assessment of current theatre in London
■ House full, returns only
◪ Some seats available
☐ Seats at all prices

☐ ANGELS STILL FALLING: Atmospheric trip through the life of Jack Kerouac, poet and world-class drunk. Good acting, set and jazz.
Boulevard, Walker's Court, off Peter Street, W1 (071-437 2661) Mon-Sat, 7.30pm, mat Sat, 4.30pm.

☐ THE CARETAKER: Donald Pleasence in Pinter's classic tussle between a tramp and two brothers.
Comedy, Panton Street, SW1 (071-867 1045). Mon-Fri, 8pm, Sat, 8.15pm, mats Wed, 3pm, Sat, 5pm 135mins

☐ CARMEN JONES: Classy production of the Hammerstein/Bizet all-black musical, packed with pizzazz.
Old Vic, Waterloo Road, SE1 (071-928 7616). Mon-Sat, 7.45pm, mats Wed, Sat, 3pm 165mins.

☐ DANCING AT LUGHNASA: Brian Friel's Olivier Award-winning memory-play set in 1930s Donegal.
Phoenix, Charing Cross Road, WC2 (071-867 1044) Mon-Sat, 8pm, mats Thurs, 3pm, Sat, 4pm. 150mins.

☐ DON'T DRESS FOR DINNER: Simon Cadell in average, French-boulevard farce.
Apollo, Shaftesbury Avenue, W1 (071-437 2663). Mon-Fri, 8pm, Sat, 8.30pm, mats Wed, 3pm, Sat, 5pm. 135mins.

■ JOSEPH AND THE AMAZING TECHNICOLOR DREAMCOAT: Jason Donovan sports a golden wig for this gaudy, brash revival.
Palladium, Argyll Street, W1 (071-494 5037). Mon-Sat, 7.30pm, mats Wed, Sat, 2.30pm. 135mins.

☐ THE LADY FROM THE SEA: Kathryn Pogson intense and persuasive in Ibsen's drama of a woman's right to choose her own man.
Riverside Studios, Crisp Road, W6 (081-748 3354). Mon-Sat, 7.30pm, mat Sat, 3pm. 135mins.

◪ THE LAST DAYS OF DON JUAN: Sexual thuggery in Seville: handsome but unfocused version.
The Pit, Barbican, Silk Street, EC2 (071-638 8891). Today, tomorrow, 7.30pm, mat tomorrow, 2pm. 165mins.

☐ THE MANCHURIAN CANDIDATE: Updated version of the kill-the-president thriller. Decent acting, clonky writing.
Lyric Hammersmith, King Street, W6 (081-741 2311). Mon-Sat, 7.45pm, mat Wed, 2.30pm, Sat, 4pm. Final week.

◪ A MIDSUMMER NIGHT'S DREAM: The comedy fares better than the romance. Pretty setting.
Open Air, Regent's Park, NW1 (071-486 2431). Today, 2pm and 8pm. 160mins.

☐ NUTMEG AND GINGER: Gentle Julian Slade musical from a Jacobean comedy about a star-struck apprentice.
Orange Tree, Clarence Street, Richmond (081-940 3633). Mon-Sat, 7.45pm, mat Thurs, 2.30pm, Sat, 4pm. 165mins.

☐ THE PHILANTHROPIST: Captivating performance by Edward Fox in Christopher Hampton's comedy.
Wyndham's, Charing Cross Road, WC2 (071-867 1116). Mon-Fri, 8pm, Sat, 8.30pm, mats Thurs, 3pm, Sat, 5pm. 130mins.

☐ RICHARD III: Olivier Award-winner Ian McKellen as the chilling dictator in a Thirties setting.
National (Lyttelton), South Bank, SE1 (071-928 2252). Tonight, tomorrow 7pm, mat tomorrow, 1pm. 210mins.

☐ THE ROSE TATTOO: Julie Walters in Tennessee Williams's heated but joyful celebration of sex.
Playhouse, Northumberland Avenue, WC2 (071-839 4401). Mon-Sat, 7.45pm, mats Wed, Sat, 3pm. 160mins.

◪ THE SEAGULL: Superb ensemble playing in Terry Hands' farewell production as artistic director.
Barbican, Silk Street, EC2 (071-638 8891). Tonight, tomorrow, 7.30pm, mat tomorrow, 2pm. 165mins.

☐ 70, GIRLS, 70: Irresistible Dora Bryan leads the cast of apparent 70-year-olds in a genial Kander & Ebb musical.
Vaudeville, Strand, WC2 (071-836 9987). Mon-Sat, 7.30pm, mats Wed, Sat, 2.30pm. 120mins.

☐ SILLY COW: Ben Elton's awkward collection of one-liners, centred on Helen Atkinson-Wood as a tabloid journo.
Theatre Royal, Haymarket, SW1 (071-930 8800). Mon-Thurs, 8pm, Fri, Sat, 5.30pm and 8.45pm. 130mins.

☐ THUNDERBIRDS F.A.B. — THE NEXT GENERATION: Cult stage version of cult television show performed by two actors wearing spaceship hats.
Mermaid, Queen Victoria Street, EC4 (071-410 0000). Mon-Thurs, 8.30pm, Fri, Sat, 7.30pm and 9.30pm. 90mins.

☐ WHITE CHAMELEON: Christopher Hampton growing up in Suez: only moderately compelling.
National (Cottesloe), South Bank, SE1 (071-928 2252). Today-Sat, 7.30pm, mat Sat 2.30pm. 130mins.

■ WOMEN OF TROY: Gripping Euripides by Classics on a Shoestring: strong, barbaric singing.
Gate, Prince Albert Pub, 11 Pembridge Road, W11 (071-229 0706). Today-Sat, 7.30pm. Final week.

LONG RUNNERS: ☐ Aspects of Love: Prince of Wales (071-839 5972) . . . ☐ Blood Brothers: Albery (071-867 1115) . . . ☐ Buddy: Victoria Palace (071-834 1317). . . ■ Cats: New London (071-405 0072) . . . ☐ Five Guys Named Moe: Lyric (071-494 5045) ☐ Me and My Girl: Adelphi (071-836 7611) . . . ■ Les Misérables: Palace (071-434 0909) . . . ■ Miss Saigon: Theatre Royal, Drury Lane (071-836 8108) . . . ☐ The Mousetrap: St Martin's (071-836 1443) . . . ■ The Phantom of the Opera: Her Majesty's (071-839 2244) . . . ☐ Return to the Forbidden Planet: Cambridge (071-379 5299) . . . ☐ Run For Your Wife: Duchess (071-836 8243) . . . ◪ Starlight Express: Apollo Victoria (071-828 8665) . . . ☐ The Woman in Black: Fortune (071-836 2238).

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TODAY'S EVENTS

BBC PROMS: The young violinist Tasmin Little returns to the Proms with a performance of the Dvořák Concerto in A minor, accompanied by the BBC Scottish Symphony Orchestra under Jerzy Maksymiuk. Also on the programme are Iannis Xenakis's *Shaar*, commissioned for the Jerusalem Contemporary Music Festival in 1983, and Stravinsky's *Petrushka* (1947). Another concert follows an hour later the British premiere of David Sawer's *Songs of Love and War* for chorus, two percussionists and two harps, and Steve Reich's *The Desert Music*; with the BBC Singers and the Capricorn ensemble.
Albert Hall, Kensington Gore, London SW7 (071-823 9998), 7pm and 10pm

BALLROOM BLITZ: Today's event in this annual festival of free dance performances, workshops and seminars brings the first performance of a Blitz commission developed by ballet-based group Dance Advance, theatre designer Henk Schut and technology wizard Rolf Gehlhaar. *Reverberations* uses a computer-controlled method to create its own "sound space" where sensors pick up movement and translate it into sound. The invention is available for anyone to try creating their own music by moving through space: from 12.30-2.15pm and 6.45-7.15pm.
Ballroom Floor, Festival Hall, South Bank, London SE1, free. Dance Advance performance, 6.15pm.

DANCE WORKSHOP EUROPE: Today and tomorrow see the fruit of the pan-European dance project, which has been working on a Mozartian theme. Four young choreographers, Micha Purucker (Germany), William Petit (France), Rui Horta (Portugal) and Mark Murphy (England) have each worked with a team of up to six people.
The Place, 17 Duke's Road, London WC1 (071-387 0031), 8pm.

PRESERVING MR PANMURE: Previews continue into next week for Arthur Wing Pinero's play about a respectable household in Winchester thrown into confusion when the young governess reveals she has been kissed. With Alec McCowen in the title role, Rosemary Harris (who replaces Margaret Courtenay) and Julia Foster. Peter Wood directs.
Chichester Festival Theatre, Oaklands Park, Chichester (0243 781312), 7.30pm.

THE TEMPEST: John Retallack directs Oxford Stage Company's production of Shakespeare's final play, with music by Howard Goodall. Until August 24.
Oxford Playhouse, Beaumont Street, Oxford (0865 798600), 7.30pm.

CASTING AN EYE ON ITALY: An exhibition of original urban masterpieces from the Italian Museum of Cast Iron, displayed in the Accademia's galleries and gardens. Fountains, streetlamps, garden furniture and a gazebo are among the exhibits which come from the 19th and 20th centuries, with the emphasis on the skill of the restoration work currently being achieved in Italy.
Accademia Italiana, Rutland Gate, London SW7 (071-225 3474), 10am-8pm.

CONSTABLE: The Tate's show provides a comprehensive view of the artist, concentrating on his landscapes and the evolution of specific images, sometimes showing an example in multiple versions. Many of the most famous works are included, such as *The Hay Wain*, *Flatford Mill* and *The Cornfield*.
Tate Gallery, Millbank, London SW1 (071-821 7128), 10am-5.50pm.

Saved by the swansong

DANCE

Schéhérazade/Les Sylphides/Swansong
Festival Hall

FORTUNATELY for English National Ballet, the dead cannot sue, so there is no redress for the shame inflicted on Mikhail Fokine's memory by the appalling travesty of his once famous ballet *Schéhérazade*, presented on the South Bank this week. It is difficult to imagine a less convincing orgy, more insipid acting or a funnier, sillier duet for the principals, much of which bears no relationship at all to the choreography which used to be danced in productions supervised by Grigoriev, who had been the *régisseur* when the ballet was created.

Lacklustre playing of Rimsky-Korsakov's music did not help, nor the less than ideal casting of the leads. Maria Teresa del Real's physique, with broad shoulders and short legs, gives her an uphill task in suggesting the languorous voluptuousness of Zobeide. Jose Manuel Carreno looks seductive as the Golden Slave, and makes the most of his pirouettes, but a lack of height in his jumps is shown up by this role designed for Nijinsky, with his impressive *ballon*.

Even what could have been the ballet's one redeeming feature, Geoffrey Guy's reconstruction of the Bakst designs, is so dismally lit that all the potential magic of rich and clashing colours is lost in the gloom. The evening had begun with a much more worthwhile example of Fokine's ballets, *Les Sylphides*, although here, too, the lighting was poor. Why have the corps de ballet brightly lit while the soloist's face is in shadow?

The casting showed a strange contrast of styles. Members of the regular company gave a conscientious although undercast and underdanced account of the production staged for them by Alicia Markova, while their resident guest artist Yelena Pankova displayed her tripping speed and skimming lightness at a far higher level but in an absolutely contradictory style.

Not for her the "reaching for the moon" which, according to Markova's programme note, was for Fokine the keynote of the ballet. Pankova's bright and joyous dancing is that of Bournonville's 19th century Sylphide, an enchantress flitting through sunbeams. Gorgeous, but completely out of place in this context.

Between these two works, Christopher Bruce's *Swansong* won the loudest cheers of the evening for the passionate conviction of its drama. The balance of tension had slipped slightly since its superb performances at the Coliseum last month because Seth Gilbert, replacing Matz Skoog as one of the interrogators, missed out on the ambiguity of the role, achieving its menace but not its cheerfulness. But with Kevin Richmond as his opposite number and Koen Onzia as the victim, both in the roles made for them, the ballet is still explosive in the intensity of its emotions.

JOHN PERCIVAL

Made for the roles: Koen Onzia and Kevin Richmond in Swansong

PROMS

Elijah/Requiem
Albert Hall/Radio 3

BEFORE somebody else does it for me, I had better be brave and out myself. God help him, your critic is an agnostic. That is why, some will say, Sunday night's offering at the Proms, Mendelssohn's oratorio, **Elijah**, fell on such unsympathetic ears. Well, not quite. I am devoted to much that was written for the church. The point about pieces such as Monteverdi's Vespers, Haydn's or Josquin's Masses, Dunstable's motets or Brahms's Requiem is that they are works of art whose spirituality is universal.

Though its reputation is undiminished by rarer performances these days, and many at this concert obviously hold it in deep affection, *Elijah* revealed itself as a flagrant piece of fundamentalist propaganda. Few here seemed disturbed by the composer's entreatment of the Victorian faithful to top up their stocks of fire and brimstone with his constant stream of unsubtle choruses, by the excess of sanctimonious piety and sentimentality with which he saturates the work, or by the incitement to intolerance implicit in such episodes as that which relates the fate of the Baalites sacrificed to Jehova.

One could — just about — swallow all of that if Mendelssohn had shown himself to be a Handel, able to turn those fearful Old Testament characters into real, colourful individuals. Instead, there are signs in the four-square rhythms, banal ideas and harmonic dullness that he either relied more heavily on divine inspiration than self-criticism or wrote the piece in a hurry. Nowhere did one gasp at a powerful stroke of drama or marvel at a particularly telling moment of emotional depth.

Conducting with conviction: Davis

Of course, for this piece, the Albert Hall is the ideal arena and the cheering Proms' audience the perfect recipients. They were given, moreover, a fine performance. The BBC Singers (as the chorus of angels) and the BBC Symphony Chorus seemed thoroughly to enjoy their busy evening, while Joan Rodgers, Alfreda Hodgson and the powerful, melodramatic Laurence Dale all sang well. Håkan Hagegård's performance of the title role, however, betrayed too much anxiety to fill the hall. Often his sound degenerated into something uncharacteristically coarse, and in moments of stress, he strayed from the written pitch. Andrew Davis conducted the BBC Symphony Orchestra with the kind of conviction which suggested that he had convinced himself we were back in the middle of the 19th century. We are not, and pieces like this should be regarded as intriguing social phenomena rather than revered as great works.

MOZART's **Requiem**, given by Roger Norrington, the London Classical Players and the Schütz Choir of London the following evening, is of course a great work by any standards. But the fact that another composer finished it after Mozart's death has made it fair game for others to dabble with, at least in the view of the many who conveniently forget that Süssmayr, second rate though he may have been as a composer, had the considerable advantage of actually living in the 18th century. The latest person to exercise his skill at guessing what might have been is Duncan Druce, and, as one might expect, sometimes his contributions fit, sometimes they seem not to.

The brutally disruptive "Amen" at the end of the sequence, with its busy, rather academic counterpoint and fussy offbeats does not fit, falling into the trap, perhaps, of displaying too much Mozartian grammar in too small a space. Druce's Benedictus, with its burbling clarinets and bassoons, worked better, though Mozart's subtle balances were missing, while the Sanctus explored more adventurous harmonic byways than Süssmayr.

There were occasional startling oddities — I recall one alarming G major chord in a G minor context and a rather strange transition, with a savage punctuating chord, from the Agnus Dei to the Communion — but Norrington and his team, which included a strong and well blended group of solo singers in Nancy Argenta, Catherine Robbin, John Mark Ainsley and Alastair Miles, gave an excellent, if rather brisk account.

Norrington, as earlier in the "Prague" Symphony, showed himself marvellously alive to colour, articulation, shape and character of phrase.

STEPHEN PETTITT

CHAMBER MUSIC

Kuhmo Festival
Finland

WHEN in Kuhmo somebody asks what you thought of the 5am concert, it could well be a serious question. Even 40 winks is exceeding the limit in a chamber music festival where the briefest retirement from the midnight sun is sure to mean missing something of significance.

Kuhmo, a sturdy lumberjack of a town buried in the backwoods of north-east Finland, and an hour's drive from the Soviet border, is still not widely known among festivals, simply because of the difficulty and expense of getting there in the first place. Those who make the effort — and the sacrifice — seem compelled to make it again and again. Musicians clear their diaries, cancelling many more high profile engagements, in order to make music in an environment unique for its fusion of topographical tranquility and musical stimulus. Each performer is expected to teach young musicians in the festival's own music camp, and to be called upon to give *ad hoc* fringe recitals in remote forest settlements.

Yet they come back for more. Kuhmo is given its distinctive profile by its director, Seppo Kimanen, cellist and member of the Sibelius Quartet, who selects players and festival themes with unashamed personal subjectivity. He refuses to book from the established festival circuit. Instead, he uses his canny ear and eye to seize on what is up and coming — the Lindsay, Hagen and Panocha Quartets, Gidon Kremer, Yuri Bashmet and Steven Isserlis have, in their time, been among Kuhmo's protégés.

This year, in two weeks of music from the German-speaking world, ranging from Buxtehude to Erik Bergman, there were once again discoveries to be made. Evgeni Koroliov, for example, is a young Russian pianist and pupil of Heinrich Neuhaus, based in Hamburg, whose penetratingly shrewd and formidably executed Bach would be a revelation to London audiences. His midnight recital of "Die Kunst der Fuge" was as imaginatively explorative as it was intellectually assured. Later in the week he turned the same darting mind and strong, questing fingers to an afternoon of Ligeti.

To hear the Cherubini Quartet live was another Kuhmo revelation. Its Mendelssohn and Schumann Quartets are making its vigorous, searching and individual voice known in Finland; but London still awaits the group's first recital. At a significant point in a carefully self-monitored career, (the quartet has actually reduced its number of concerts a year from 100 to 60 to allow for fallow time), the Cherubini presented Mendelssohn, supplemented by the composer's playful Quintet No 2 and by Bruckner's F major Quintet. Here the quartet was joined by its leader's sister, the viola player Diemut Poppen: a formidable soloist who contributed memorable performances of Schumann and Hindemith sonatas.

Performances such as these, together with a new midday slot in which any single performer is invited to play one work of particular personal significance, revealed a facet of the Kuhmo experience all too rare on the festival carousel. As Alexander Baillie turned to Britten, Rivka Golani to Schubert, Raphael Wallfisch to Piatagorsky, one was made to feel an eavesdropper, a witness to a private dialogue between performer and composer: a far cry from the audience-oriented playing of so much routine chamber music-making. In two years' time, Kuhmo expands into a new cultural centre, to be built as a mark of the festival's success. The challenge will never be greater.

HILARY FINCH

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WORD-WATCHING

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PLISKIE
(b) A condition or plight, a mischievous trick, Scottish dialect, origin obscure; Sir Walter Scott, as usual: "I can hae nae reason to play an ill pliskie t'ye in the day o' your distress."

DOMETT
(c) A plain mixed cloth with cotton warp and woollen weft, perhaps from the proper name of the original manufacturer: "Close-grained cloth coats, with silken lining, sandwiched with domett between it and the cloth."

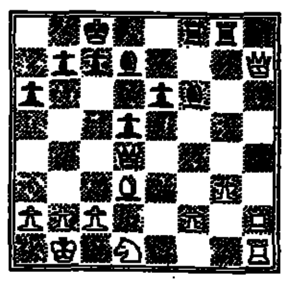
SLUIT
(b) A seasonal channel or gully, generally in South African usage, usually one formed by heavy rain, and dry during the greater part of the year, from the Dutch *sloot* a ditch: "One evening I heard the old brute moving in the sluit, close to the camp, and on the prowl."

EPITONIC
(b) Overstrained, generally stretched too tight, as of a lyre string, from the Greek *epitonos* on the stretch, *epiteinein* to stretch; Meredith: "From the epitonic, the overstrained."

WINNING MOVE

By Raymond Keene, Chess Correspondent

Today's position is from the game Welling — Bronstein, Busum 1991. In this quiet looking position, black snapped up a chance to win material. What did he play?



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BBC 1

8.00 Ceefax

6.30 BBC Breakfast News

9.05 Around the World with Willy Fog. Animated adventures (r) **9.35 Why Don't You . . ?** Entertaining ideas for young people at a loose end (r)

10.00 News, regional news and weather **10.05 Playdays** (r) **10.25 The Muppet Babies** (r)

11.00 News, regional news and weather **11.05 Our House.** Children's drama series from the US **11.55 Travel Show UK Mini Guides.** What to do and where to go in the Gower peninsula area (r)

12.00 News, regional news and weather **12.05 The Garden Party.** Magnus Magnusson is the guest on the mid-morning magazine. He will be talking about *The Nature of Scotland*, a book about Scotland's environment, which he has edited. Wales: The Royal Welsh 1991 **12.55 Regional News** and weather

1.00 One O'Clock News and weather

1.30 Neighbours. (Ceefax) **1.50 The Best of Collecting Now.** Harriet Crawley looks at glamorous photos of Hollywood stars, early keyboard instruments and classic sports cars (r)

2.20 Knots Landing: Only 'til Friday. Soap set in a Californian cul-de-sac. Abby (Donna Mills) is disappointed when Charles (Michael York) has to rush back to his wife **3.10 Jim Fixed It.** Jimmy Savile selects his favourite *Fix Its*. Today, a day out in the country for a city dog (r). (Ceefax)

3.45 Turkey Love. Cartoon **4.10 Rupert** (r) **4.15 Yogi's Treasure Hunt.** Cartoon (r) **4.35 Expo: The Underwater Museum, Bodrum.** Heather Couper introduces a fascinating look at the ancient history discovered underwater in the popular Turkish resort of Bodrum (Ceefax)

5.00 Newsround 5.10 The Bartons. Episode seven of the 11-part children's drama serial (r)

5.35 Neighbours. (r). (Ceefax) Northern Ireland: Sportswide 5.40 Inside Ulster

6.00 Six O'Clock News with Philip Hayton. Weather

6.30 Regional News Magazines. Northern Ireland: Neighbours

7.00 Wogan. Among this evening's guests are Milla Jovovich, the Soviet-born star of the new film *Return to the Blue Lagoon*, and historian Michael Wood, who talks about his new television series *Legacy*. Music is provided by singer Midge Ure

7.30 Come Dancing '91. Angela Rippon taps her toes and Charles Neve commentates while ballroom dancers from Cardiff and Glasgow compete in the popular competition. From the Tower Ballroom, Blackpool (Ceefax)

8.00 International Athletics. Desmond Lynam and Brendan Foster introduce live coverage of the Weltklasse, from the Letzigrund Stadium, Zurich. Includes Linford Christie in the men's 200m and Carl Lewis in the 100m. Commentary is by David Coleman, Stuart Storey and Paul Dickinson (continues on BBC2)

8.50 Points Of View presented by Anne Robinson

9.00 Nine O'Clock News with Andrew Harvey and Jill Dando. (Ceefax) Regional news and weather

9.30 Film: The Deliberate Stranger (1986). Concluding the two-part thriller about the hunt for notorious multiple murderer Ted Bundy. Bundy is placed on the FBI's ten most wanted list, and the Seattle police finally get a computer to help sift their mounting evidence. Meanwhile, police in Utah make an arrest. Starring Mark Harmon, Frederic Forrest and Bonnie Bartlett, directed by Marvin J. Chomsky. (Ceefax)

Pulling a contorted face of comedy: Phil Cool (11.00pm)

11.00 Cool it Special. Comedy special written by and starring the master of gurning — *Phil Cool* (r)

11.50 Weather. Wales: News headlines and weather

BBC 2

7.10 Open University: Energy Sources — Petroleum. Ends at 7.35

8.00 News

8.15 The Archaeology of the Bible Lands: The Abraham Years. Magnus Magnusson probes the evidence about Abraham. Was he really the father of the Hebrew people? (r)

8.45 Writers' Houses: Disraeli Lived Here. Maurice Edelman discovers the man behind the myth at Hughenden Manor in Buckinghamshire (r)

9.00 Catchword. Paul Cole's word game (r)

9.30 Film: Who Done It? (1942, b/w). The head of a New York radio station is murdered and Abbott and Costello seize the opportunity to become mystery writers. Lively classic comedy, plenty of slapstick, directed by Erle C. Kenton

10.45 Film: The Corsican Brothers (1941, b/w). Rip-roaring adaptation of the Alexander Dumas novel starring Douglas Fairbanks Jr as twins who are brought up in different worlds and reunited to avenge their father's death. Also starring Ruth Warrick and Akim Tamiroff, directed by Gregory Ratoff

12.30 Discoveries: the Mozart Papers. Oxford university's Alan Tyson analyses the watermarks of Mozart's manuscripts (r)

1.20 Mr Benn. Animated adventure (r)

1.35 Country File. John Craven reports on rural issues (r)

2.00 News and weather followed by **Seven Ages: A Girl Called Dick.** Ron Eyre examines the changes that take place between the ages of 16 and 25 (r). (Ceefax)

3.00 News and weather followed by **A Place for Tom.** A look at Liverpool's Alder Centre, which provides comfort and compassion for bereaved parents (r). (Ceefax)

3.45 Birmingham to London in Five Minutes. A high speed train journey (r) **3.50 News** weather and regional bulletins.

4.00 One in Four. Music by performers with disabilities

4.30 Film: Abilene Town (1946, b/w). Uncomplicated western about a lawman who takes on a town filled with gunslingers. Starring Randolph Scott, Ann Dvorak, Edgar Buchanan, directed by Edwin L. Marin. (Ceefax)

6.00 Star Trek, The Next Generation: Q Who? The Q being hurls the Enterprise into the future and into a confrontation with aliens. (Ceefax)

6.45 DEF II: Rough Guide to Careers. David Platt and Linford Christie discuss the pros and cons of a career in professional sport. Includes a look at the expanding leisure industry. Presented by Raj Dhanda and Lindsay Macrae (r)

7.25 International Athletics. Live coverage of the Weltklasse from Zurich (continues on BBC1)

The invention of the jet engine: Anthony Quayle (8.00pm)

8.00 Reaching for the Skies: Giants of the Air. Anthony Quayle narrates the story of how the dream of building ever-bigger aircraft became reality with the invention of the jet engine (r). (Ceefax)

9.00 International Athletics. Further live coverage of the Weltklasse, including the men's 1500m

9.35 Screenplay: City Shorts Compilation. Five short films by new directors and writers, exploring aspects of city life: *Came Out, It Rained, Went Back In Again* by Claire Dowie is about an innocent northern girl discovering her sexual destiny; in *Oranges and Lemons* by Kay Adshead, a Nigerian with a passion for English history takes a job at the Tower of London; *The Missing Finger* by Nick Stafford is about a cooking accident that turns a romantic dinner into a nightmare; in *One Day* by Helen Edmundson London's South Molton Street becomes fantasyland for a mother and child; and in *Paint* by Kathy Page, a woman shows more interest in a man's body than in his wall paint. (Ceefax)

10.30 Newsnight. Francine Stock reports on the attempts to bring the question of euthanasia out into the open and to legalise assisted death. She talks to medical practitioners in Britain, the United States and The Netherlands

11.15 International Athletics. Highlights of today's Weltklasse meeting in Zurich **11.55 Weather**

12.00 Open University: Literature in the Modern World **12.25am** Ethical *Principles*. Ends at 12.55

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6.00 TV-am

9.25 Inspector Gadget (r) **9.50 Thames News** and weather

9.55 The Haunted School. Drama series starring Carol Drinkwater as an English governess living in the Australian outback (r)

10.25 Just For The Record. Louise Wallace looks at places with extraordinarily long names **10.50 News** headlines and weather

10.55 Adventures On Kythera 11.25 Ox Tales 11.55 Thames News

12.00 Disney Cartoon featuring Goofy **12.10 Allsorts** (r)

12.30 News with Nicholas Owen. Weather **1.10 Thames News** and weather

1.20 Home and Away. (Oracle) **1.50 A Country Practice**

2.20 Take the High Road 2.50 All Clued Up. Game show for married couples, hosted by David Hamilton

3.15 News and weather **3.20 Thames News** and weather **3.25 The Young Doctors**

3.55 The Wombles. (Oracle) **4.05 Bangers & Mash.** Animation (r) **4.15 I Can Do That!** Bruno Brookes hosts the high-activity kids' quiz (r) **4.40 Rolf's Cartoon Club** (r)

5.10 Blockbusters. General knowledge quiz for teenagers

5.40 News with Carol Barnes. (Oracle) Weather

5.55 Thames Help. Jackie Spreckley continues her series on benefits and services for people with disabilities

6.00 Home and Away (r). (Oracle) **6.30 Thames News**

7.00 Busman's Holiday presented by Sarah Kennedy. A trip to Hollywood for last week's winners while the studio teams — osteopaths, stately home wardens and music directors — compete for the chance to see how their jobs are done in another country. (Oracle)

7.30 Coronation Street. (Oracle)

8.00 Highway to Heaven. Celestial adventure series starring the late Michael Landon as an apprentice angel sent to Earth to gain his wings. A small-time thief discovers a briefcase containing a million dollars and Jonathan and Mark are on hand to tell him what to do

9.00 James Randi: Psychic Investigator. The bearded debunker tests the claims of dowsers

9.30 Singles. Simon Cadell, Judy Loe, Susie Blake and Eamon Boland star in the lightweight comedy series about four single friends. Clive has decided he and Jackie should be living together but when her former husband turns up, Clive rushes round to Pam — completing ruining her dinner plans

10.00 News at Ten with Trevor McDonald and Julia Somerville. (Oracle) Weather **10.30 Thames News** and weather

Plying their wares to the tourists: Mayan Indian girls (10.40pm)

10.40 Disappearing World: Cakchiquel Maya of San Antonio Palopo.

● CHOICE: The pattern is familiar: the first wave sees remoter civilisations invaded by pioneer tourists, with their superior purchasing power, leading to economic dependence, characterised by a local mixture of ingratiating behaviour and resentment; the second wave is led by television documentary crews after a good story. The most telling moment in this film is Mayan Indians turning away from the camera, choosing *not* to be photographed. The film-makers tread softly, telling us that these natives of Lake Atitlan in Guatemala are traditionally conservative and inward looking, preferring to be left to themselves. Under Spanish rule, they successfully adapted Catholicism to their own ends, but can they do the same with this new invasion of second homes, speed boats and barbed wire? Perhaps not; as one farmer puts it with great eloquence: "If you no longer have land, you die of sadness." (Oracle)

11.40 Film: Rollerball (1975). James Caan and John Beck star in this glossy sci-fi action film. In the 21st century the world has eliminated poverty, sickness and war and has invented a violent spectator sport called rollerball which is used to release anti-social feelings in society. Directed by Norman Jewison

2.00 The Twilight Zone. *Another tale of the supernatural*

2.15 Videofashion. The latest news from the world of high fashion

2.40 America's Top Ten presented by Tommy Puett and Casey Kasem

3.10 Quiz Night. The pub and club quiz show, hosted by Martin Roberts

3.40 Happy Mondays. The Mancunian band in concert

4.40 Windsurf! Sporting action

5.10 Fifty Years On (b/w). Newsreel footage from early August 1941

5.30 ITN Morning News with Phil Roman. Ends at 6.00

CHANNEL 4

6.00 The Channel Four Daily

9.25 Film: It's in the Air (1938, b/w). Second world war farce starring George Formby, ideally cast as a gormless young man who is mistaken for an airman and has to confront a sadistic corporal *Directed by Anthony Kimmins*

11.00 Universe in a Pencil. Ralph Steadman delights in British animation

12.00 In Search of Scotland's Larder: Following the Fishing. Derek Cooper discovers a classic fish stew in the Shetlands and samples a seafood platter on Skye

12.30 Business Daily. A round-up of the news from the world's markets

1.00 Sesame Street (r)

2.00 Changing Faces: The Elizabethans. Series on portrait painting through the ages (r)

2.30 Film: Babes in Arms (1939, b/w). Classic musical, based on the play by Rogers and Hart, starring Judy Garland and Mickey Rooney as precocious teenage brats of retired vaudevillians who put on their own hit show. Directed by Busby Berkeley

4.15 Pete Smith Specialties: Wedding Bills (b/w). Short film about newlyweds made by Pete Smith for the MGM studio in 1940

4.30 Countdown. Words and numbers game

5.00 Laurel and Hardy. Cartoon adventures

5.05 ***The Oprah Winfrey Show.*** *A 14-year-old haemophiliac boy who* contracted Aids after a blood transfusion and the 16-year-old girl he plans to marry talk openly to Oprah about how they will spend the short time they have left together

6.00 A Different World. American campus comedy

6.30 Cycling: Kellogg's Tour of Britain. Stage two and the riders are faced with three stiff climbs when they cycle the 120 miles from Coventry to Lincoln

7.00 Channel 4 News with Jon Snow and Zeinab Badawi. (Teletext) Weather **7.50 Comment.**

8.00 Brookside. Suburban Merseyside soap. (Teletext)

Survivor of the Zeebrugge disaster: Andrew Parker (8.30pm)

8.30 Check Out '91.

● CHOICE: Andrew Parker is the survivor of the capsizing of the Herald of Free Enterprise in 1987 remembered for saving lives by acting as a "human bridge", for which he received the George Medal. Here he nervously revisits the scene of the disaster to see how shipping safety has improved since. Not enough, is the answer. Parker meets with the usual round of bureaucratic flannel, plus obstruction from P&O, forbidding filming on their ship, a refusal the programme makers got around by posing as tourists with video cameras. In spite of recent international regulations, another eight years will pass before new safety proposals come into effect, and in that time there will be, according to statistics, at *least one further disaster on the scale of the Herald, in which 193* died. Parker's conclusion, after encountering so much procrastination, is a brisk "I think the minister should pull his finger out as fast as possible"

9.00 Out: Over Our Dead Bodies. Gay and lesbian affairs. A look at the origins of the Aids activist movement Act-Up, and the birth of groups such as Queer Nation and Outrage. (Teletext)

10.00 The Golden Girls: Big Daddy. Comedy with the four Miami matrons. Southern belle Blanche waits for a visit from her father, whom she still thinks of as Big Daddy (r). (Teletext)

10.30 Clive Anderson Talks Back. Clive talks to explorer Sir Ranulph Fiennes and Norman Willis (r)

11.05 Nightingles: Moonlight Becomes You.

● CHOICE: C4 cashes in smartly on the *GBH*/Michael Murray bandwagon by rerunning this recent Robert Lindsay sitcom about nightwatch security men, with Lindsay the one with academic pretensions and David Threlfall — complete with Botham Kepi-style hair flap — the thicko prone to random violence. The script is an improbable — though not unsuccessful — mixture of Godot-like waiting — killing time, verbal jousting, absurdity, what's it all about, Alfie? — and hyperactive US sitcom of the type that turns a character into a werewolf for the hell of it. Lindsay watchers will note the Murray twitch in embryo form and the beginnings of the full blown bouffant hair do. Fag-smoking — that now unfashionable pastime — is much in evidence, and performed with such panache by the cast to make one wonder if coaching lessons were given in cigarette smoking in the old working class manner (r)

11.35 Frank's Place. Sitcom set in a New Orleans restaurant

12.05am Mission Eureka. European space-drama serial. Ends at **1.00**

ITV VARIATIONS

ANGLIA

As London except: 6.25pm-7.00 Anglia News 8.00-9.00 Island Son 11.40 Kojak 12.35 Quiz Night 1.05 America's Top Ten 1.35 Out on a Limb 3.20 Raw Power 4.20 Fifty Years On 4.40 Nashville Swing 5.05-5.30 Farming Diary

BORDER

As London except: 2.20pm-2.50 One to One 5.10-5.40 Home and Away 6.00 Lookaround Wednesday 6.30-7.00 Blockbusters 8.00-9.00 Island Son 11.40 North and South 1.25 Donahue 2.20 Video View 2.55 60 Minutes 3.50 Film: Beatrice Cenci 5.20-5.30 Jobfinder

CENTRAL

As London except: 6.25pm-7.00 Central News 8.00-9.00 Magnum 11.40 In the Heat of the Night 12.35 That's Carry On 2.20 60 Minutes 3.15 Stephen King's: This is Horror 3.45 Kid Creole and the Coconuts 4.50-5.30 Central Jobfinder '91

GRAMPIAN

As London except: 5.10pm-5.40 Home and Away 6.00 North Tonight 6.30-7.00 Blockbusters 8.00-9.00 Magnum 11.40 North and South 1.25 Donahue 2.20 Video View 2.55 60 Minutes 3.50 Film: Beatrice Cenci 5.20-5.30 Jobfinder

GRANADA

As London except: 6.30-7.00 Granada Tonight 8.00-9.00 Magnum 11.40 North and South 1.25 Donahue 2.20 Video View 2.55 60 Minutes 3.50 Film: Beatrice Cenci 5.20-5.30 Jobfinder

HTV WEST

As London except: 1.50pm-2.20 The Young Doctors 3.25-3.55 A Country Practice 5.10-5.40 Home and Away 6.00 HTV News 6.30-7.00 Blockbusters 8.00-9.00 Island Son

HTV WALES

As HTV West except: 6.00pm-6.30 Wales at Six

TSW

As London except: 2.20pm-2.50 Graham Kerr 3.20-3.55 Home and Away 5.10-5.40 Take the High Road 6.00 TSW Today 6.30-7.00 Blockbusters 11.40 North and South 1.25 Donahue 2.20 Video View 2.55 60 Minutes 3.50 Film: Beatrice Cenci 5.20-5.30 TSW Jobfinder

TVS

As London except: 1.50pm-2.20 The Young Doctors 3.25-3.55 Sons and Daughters 5.10-5.40 Home and Away 6.00 Coast to Coast 6.30-7.00 Blockbusters 8.00-9.00 Magnum 11.40 International Yacht Racing 11.50 Film: Sands of the Kalahari 2.05 Donahue 3.00 Kojak 3.55 The Silk Road 4.50 What Are We Talking? 5.00-5.30 America's Top Ten

TYNE TEES

As London except: 1.50pm-2.20 On the Wild Side 5.10-5.40 Home and Away 6.00 Northern Life 6.30-7.00 Blockbusters 8.00-9.00 Island Son 11.40 North and South 1.25 Donahue 2.20 Video View 2.55 60 Minutes 3.50 Film: Beatrice Cenci 5.20-5.30 Jobs

ULSTER

As London except: 1.50pm-2.20 Sons and Daughters 3.25-3.55 Who's the Boss? 5.10-5.40 Home and Away 6.00 Six Tonight 6.30-7.00 Blockbusters 8.00-9.00 The Equalizer 11.40 North and South 1.25 Donahue 2.20 Video View 2.55 60 Minutes 3.50 Film: Beatrice Cenci 5.20-5.30 Jobfinder

YORKSHIRE

As London except: 5.10pm-5.40 Home and Away 6.00 Calendar 6.30-7.00 Blockbusters 8.00-9.00 Island Son 11.40 The Sun Also Rises 1.25 William Tell 1.50 Quiz Night 2.20 The New Sessions 2.50 Comedy Tonight 3.20 Music Box 4.20-5.30 Jobfinder

S4C

Starts: 6.00am C4 Daily 9.25 Eisteddfod Genedlaethol Frenhinol Cymru Bro Delyn 1991 10.00 Y Smyrffs 10.25 OD The Master Game 10.55 Film: My Favourite Spy 12.30 Newyddion 12.35 Pursuit of Power 1.00 Countdown 1.30 Business Daily 2.00 Go Fishing 2.30 Eisteddfod Genedlaethol Frenhinol Cymru Bro Delyn 1991 4.00 Mwy O Steddfod 4.30 Kate and Allie 5.00 Happy Days 5.30 Brookside 6.00 Newyddion 6.10 Heno 6.35 Now You're Talking 7.00 Perthyn 7.30 Eisteddfod Genedlaethol Frenhinol Cymru 8.30 Newyddion 8.55 C'Mon Midffild 9.40 Y Pethe O Fro Delyn 10.45 Swig O 'Fame' 11.15 Cycling: The Kellogg's Tour of Britain 11.45 Out 12.45 Diwedd

RTE 1

Starts: 3.00pm News followed by Daughters of the Country 4.00 News followed by Emmerdale 4.30 Against the Wind 5.20 Quesquaso 5.30 A Country Practice 6.00 The Angelus 6.01 Six-One 6.30 Flight Over Spain 7.00 The Kerrygold Dublin Horse Show 9.00 News 9.20 The Soviet Session 10.20 Making News 11.20-11.30 News

NETWORK 2

Starts: 2.30 Bosco 3.00 The Kerrygold Dublin Horse Show 5.00 Charlie Chase 5.20 T-Bag and the Rings of Olympus 5.30 Dangerbay 6.00 Gentle Ben 6.25 Home and Away 6.55 Nuacht 7.00 The Poetry Book 7.05 Perfect Strangers 7.30 Coronation Street 8.00 News followed by Jo-Maxi Remix 8.30 Who's the Boss? 9.00 Bagdad Cafe 9.25 News followed by Dempsey and Makepeace 10.20 Wednesday Report 10.55 News 11.10-11.35 Alfred Hitchcock Presents

SATELLITE

SKY ONE

● Via the Astra and Marcopolo satellites.
6.00am The DJ Kat Show 8.40 Mrs Pepperpot 8.55 Playabout 9.10 Cartoons 9.30 Mr Ed 10.00 The Lucy Show 10.30 The Young Doctors 11.00 The Bold and the Beautiful 11.30 The Young and the Restless 12.30pm Sale of the Century 1.00 True Confessions 1.30 Another World 2.20 Santa Barbara 2.45 Wife of the Week 3.15 The Brady Bunch 3.45 The DJ Kat Show 5.00 Diff'rent Strokes 5.30 Bewitched 6.00 Family Ties 6.30 Sale of the Century 7.00 Love at First Sight 7.30 Anything for Money 8.00 Holocaust: Final episode of the four-part mini series 10.30 The Hitchhiker 11.00 Mickey Spillane's Mike Hammer 12.00 Twist in the Tale 12.30am World's Funniest Commercial Goofs 1.30 Pages from Skytext

SKY NEWS

● Via the Astra and Marcopolo satellites. News on the hour.
5.00am Sunrise 5.30 Newsline 9.30 Dayline 10.30 Fashion TV 11.00 International Business Report 11.30 Dayline 12.30pm CBS News 1.30 CBS News 2.30 Getaway 3.30 Our World 4.30 Fashion TV 5.00 Live at Five 6.30 Newsline 8.30 Fashion TV 10.30 Newsline 11.30 CBS News 12.30am Newsline 1.30 CBS News 2.30 Beyond 2000 3.30 CBS News 4.30 Beyond 2000

SKY MOVIES+

● Via the Astra and Marcopolo satellites.
6.00am Showcase, incl 6.40 Entertainment Tonight
10.00 Eagle's Wing (1979): Western about a renegade Indian and a trapper competing for possession of a white stallion
12.00 Cold River (1982): Two children learn survival the hard way when their father dies on a camping trip in the wilderness
2.00pm Hard Travelling (1985): Drama about a mentally unstable man and his relationship with a beautiful widow
4.00 Battle Beyond the Stars (1980): Science-fiction adventure in which seven space warriors come to the rescue of a peace-loving planet
5.40 Entertainment Tonight
6.00 Cocoon: The Return (1988): The well-preserved senior citizens return from Antares for a four-day stopover
8.00 Gleaming the Cube (1989): Detective thriller, with spectacular stunts, set in the hip California skateboarding community
10.00 Screwballs (1983): High school comedy about four teenagers who make life awkward for the snooty homecoming queen
11.25 Chicago Joe and the Showgirl (1989): Second world war thriller based on the true story of an American GI and a young English dancer, whose fantasy world leads to murder. Starring Kiefer Sutherland
1.10am Blind Hate (1990): True story of Morris Dees, who devoted his life to fighting the Ku Klux Klan and other extremist groups
2.45 Warbirds (1988): *Top Gun*-style adventure as a young flying graduate prepares for a dangerous mission
4.15 The Awakening (1980): An archaeologist accidentally releases the evil spirit of an ancient Egyptian queen. Ends at 6.00

THE MOVIE CHANNEL

● Via the Astra and Marcopolo satellites.
6.15am The Gentle Gunman (1952, b/w): Two brothers, both IRA sympathisers, find themselves at odds when one renounces violence. Starring John Mills, Dirk Bogarde
8.00 Davy Crockett on the Mississippi: Animated adventure
9.00 The Count of Monte Cristo: Cartoon
10.00 The Life and Death of Colonel Blimp (1943): Controversial drama in which a British soldier re-examines his army life
12.10pm *Personal Foul* (1987): The friendship of a former convict and a teacher is threatened when they both fall for the same woman. Starring David Morse
2.10 Windwalker (1981): A Cheyenne Indian rises from the dead to avenge his wife's murder and to find his kidnapped son
4.15 Yogi Bear and the Invasion of the Space Bears: Cartoon 5.50 Spotlight
6.15 Cinema Paradiso (1989): A film director recalls his childhood spent in the projection booth of a Sicilian cinema
8.20 Women on the Verge of a Nervous Breakdown (1988): Starring Carmen Maura
10.15 Fort Apache, The Bronx (1981): Taut police thriller about two New York cops fighting a battery of non-stop crime. Starring Paul Newman and Ken Wahl
12.25pm Pet Sematary (1989): Stephen King horror about a family's pet cat which is resurrected from the dead
2.10 Apprentice to Murder (1987): A charismatic doctor is implicated in a series *of supernatural murders*. Starring Donald Sutherland
3.45 The Penitent (1988): A drifter arrives at an isolated farm and has a disturbing effect on the farmer and his wife. Ends at 5.15

SKY SPORTS

● Via the Astra and Marcopolo satellites.
12.00 Kick-Boxing 1.00pm British Grand Prix Motorcycling from Donington Park 3.00 Equestrianism 4.00 Watersports 5.00 American Sports Cavalcade 6.00 German Rally Cars 7.00 ATP Tennis Magazine 8.00 US PGA Golf Preview 10.00 Australian Rugby League: Australia v New Zealand 12.00 German Rally Cars 1.00am US PGA Golf Preview

EUROSPORT

● Via the Astra satellite.
1.00pm Rowing from Luzern 2.00 Car Racing: DTM from Diebholz 3.00 Tennis: Federation Cup from Nottingham 6.30 Eurosport News 7.00 Trans World Sport 8.00 Live Athletics from Zurich 10.30 Eurosport News

SCREENSPORT

● Via the Astra satellite.
7.00am Volvo PGA European Golf Tour 8.00 Sport de France 8.30 Fight Night at the Forum 10.00 Offshore Powerboat Racing 11.00 Snooker Shoot Out 12.00 Gol 1.00pm International Kick-Boxing 2.00 Tenpin Bowling 3.00 Enduro World Championships 3.30 Olympic Report '92 3.45 Spain Sport 4.00 American Football Bundesliga 5.00 Pro Surfing Tour 5.30 Budweiser Jet Ski Tour 6.00 US PGA Golf Tour 8.00 Tennis 10.00 Major League Baseball 12.00 USWA Wrestling

LIFESTYLE

● Via the Astra satellite.
10.00am The Great American Gameshows 11.15 Coffee Break 11.20 Workout 11.50 Pizza Gourmet 12.15pm Sally Jessy Raphael 1.05 What's New 1.10 Search For Tomorrow 1.40 The Edge of the Night 2.05 Afternoon Cinema: It's a Wonderful World 4.00 Tea Break 4.10 Mothers-in-Law 4.40 The Great American Gameshows 6.00 The Sell-a-Vision Shopping Programme 8.00 Close 10.00 The Sell-a-Vision Shopping Programme 12.00 Satellite Jukebox

MTV

● Via the Astra satellite.
Twenty-four hours of music and pop

RADIO 3

6.35-6.55am Open University (FM only) **6.55** Weather; News

7.00 Morning Concert: Schumann (Fantasiestücke, Op 12)

7.30 News

7.35 Morning Concert (cont): Poulenc (Sextet); Saint-Saëns (Mon coeur s'ouvre à ta voix, Samson et Dalila, Act 2); Roussel (Symphony No 3)

8.30 News

8.35 Composers of the Week: Mendelssohn (Overture, Calm Sea and Prosperous Voyage; Fugue, Op 81 No 4; Capriccio in F sharp minor, Op 5; String Quintet in A, Op 18)

9.35 Midweek Choice: Altenburg (Concerto for seven trumpets and timpani: Philip Jones Brass Ensemble, with John Wilbraham and Michael Laird, trumpets); de Falla (Nights in the Gardens of Spain: RPO under Enrique Bátiz, with Aldo Ciccolini, piano); John Knowles Paine (Symphony No 1, Op 23: NYPO under Mehta); Mussorgsky (Boris's Monologue, Boris Godunov, Act 1: Boris Christoff, bass, Ana Alexieva, soprano, Sofia Opera Chorus, Paris Conservatoire Orchestra under Cluytens); Bruch (Konzertstück, Op 84: Leipzig Gewandhaus Orchestra under Kurt Masur); Mussorgsky (Farewell Prayer and Death of Boris, Boris Godunov, Act 4); Anthony Hedges (Scenes from the Humber: Humberside Sinfonia under the composer); Bach (Toccata and Fugue in F, BWV 540; Peter Hurford, organ); Dvořák (Prague Waltzes, B 99: Detroit SO under Antal Dorati)

12.10pm City of London Sinfonia under Richard Hickox performs Elgar (Chanson de matin; Chanson de nuit); Butterworth (*The Banks of Green Willow*); Bridge (There is a Willow Grows Aslant a Brook); Moeran (Whythorne's Shadow); Finzi (Romance); Walton (Two Pieces for strings, Henry V) (r)

1.00 News

1.05 To My Dear Friend Haydn: First of six programmes coupling Mozart's six string quartets dedicated to Haydn with the quartets that may have inspired them. Haydn (String Quartet in F minor, Op 20 No 5: Juilliard Quartet); Mozart (String Quartet in G, K 387: Amadeus Quartet)

2.00 BBC Welsh SO under Nicholas Cleobury performs Robert Sherlaw Johnson (Concerto for clarinet and bass clarinet: David Campbell); Edward Gregson (Contrasts) (first broadcasts)

2.50 Vintage Years: The violinist Adolf Busch plays Bach (Brandenburg Concerto No 2 in F, BWV 1047: Busch Chamber Players under Adolf Busch, with Marcel Moyse, flute, Evelyn Rothwell, oboe, George Eskdale, trumpet); Schubert (Fantasia in C, D 934: with Rudolf Serkin); Brahms (Trio in E flat, Op 40: Aubrey Brain, horn, Rudolf Serkin, piano)

4.00 Choral Vespers from the Brompton Oratory, London

5.00 Songs of the Hostels: Choirs and Competitions. Janet Fargion with the second of two programmes of traditional music by black migrant workers living on the edge of South African townships

5.30 Mainly for Pleasure, with Lyndon Jenkins

6.55 News

7.00 Proms 1991: Live from the Albert Hall, London. BBC Scottish Symphony Orchestra under Jerzy Maksymiuk performs Xenakis (Shaar); Dvořák (Violin Concerto: Tasmin Little). **7.45** Jann Parry considers the history of Stravinsky's Petrushka as a ballet (r). **8.05** Stravinsky (Petrushka, 1947)

8.55 The Education Debate: The Privations of the Pragmatic. In the second of two programmes, Sir Frank Kermode argues that knowledge should be pursued for its own sake

9.40 All at Sea: Michelle Corrette (Combat naval: Jukka Tiensuu, *harpsichord*); Richard Rogers (Guadalcanal March, Victory at Sea: Eastman Wind Ensemble under Frederick Fennell)

10.00 Proms 1991: Live from the Albert Hall, London. BBC Singers: Capricorn under Simon Joly perform David Sawer (Songs of Love and War — BBC commision, first performance); Reich (The Desert Music)

11.15 Ockeghem (Ave Maria, Intemerata Dei mater: Hilliard Ensemble)

11.30 News

11.35-12.35am Composers of the Week: Arthur Bliss (r)

RADIO 4

(s) Stereo on FM

5.55am Shipping Forecast **6.00** News Briefing, incl **6.03** Weather **6.10** Farming Today **6.25** Prayer for the Day (s) **6.30** Today, incl **6.30, 7.00, 7.30, 8.00, 8.30** News **6.55, 7.55** Weather **8.43** Summoned by Bells: Written and read by John Betjeman (6 of 9) (r) **8.58** Weather

9.00 News

9.05 In the Psychiatrist's Chair: Dr Anthony Clare's subject is the actor Anthony Hopkins (2 of 6)

9.40 Reading Aloud: Peter Langan — a Memoir. Brian Sewell reads from Peter Langan's *A Life with Food* (s) (r)

10.00 News; Gardeners' Question Time from Riding Hill, Northumberland (r)

10.30 Morning Story: Miss Givings, by Susan Jeffreys. Read by Alice Arnold

10.45 Daily Service (s)

11.00 News; File on 4 (r)

11.42 Profile: Chris Mullin. Jon Silverman with the second of seven radio portraits

12.00 News; You and Yours looks at home renovation grants

12.25pm The Litmus Test: Heather Couper, Nigel Henbest, Bryan Sykes and Georgina Ferry join Michael Scott in a light-hearted investigation of the science in Lewis Carroll's Alice adventures (s) **12.55** Weather

1.00 The World at One

1.40 The Archers (r) **1.55** Shipping

2.00 News; Woman's Hour

3.00 News; Boris Gives a Party, by Peter Tegel. The ex-pats on a Greek island are horrified to learn that a Russian ballet star is to throw a party for a rude Englishman (s)

3.47 Enquire Within **4.00** News

4.05 How to Make a Million: Ken Bell. Fourth in a six-part series focusing on northern entrepreneurs. Felicity Goodey meets Ken Bell, a former butcher from Newcastle, whose sideline in prawns developed into a £30 million concern in frozen seafood

4.30 Kaleidoscope: Nigel Andrews reviews the latest film releases, including *Ninja Turtles 2* and *Return to the Blue Lagoon* (s)

5.00 PM **5.50** Shipping Forecast **5.55** Weather

6.00 Six O'Clock News; Financial Report

6.30 Brain of Britain 1991: Robert Robinson chairs the fourth semi-final (s) (r)

7.00 News **7.05** The Archers

7.20 Age to Age (r)

7.45 Medicine Now, with Geoff Watts (r)

8.15 Antony Hopkins Talking About Music: Antony Hopkins considers a wide variety of music, deriving his topics from forthcoming Promenade concerts (s)

8.45 Two People

● CHOICE: There is no reliable way of gauging the therapeutic impact on others of Colin Semper's four programmes — tonight's is the last — about men and women who took different routes out of what was basically the same moral maze. But everyday experience tells us that it *does* help to learn that we are not the only person in the boat and, moreover, that there is more than one way to row it. That being so, there will be countless people who will derive some comfort from tonight's programme in which two daughters, with families, describe what action they took when their mothers who were suffering from Alzheimer's disease could no longer cope by themselves

9.15 Kaleidoscope (s) (r)

9.45 The Financial World Tonight (s) **9.59** Weather

10.00 The World Tonight, with Alexander MacLeod (s)

10.45 A Book at Bedtime: Talking it Over, by Julian Barnes (8 of 10)

11.00 Last Day: Ian McMillan talks to the teachers and pupils from a school serving the remote village of Uldale in the Lake District as the final lessons are held and the door is closed for the last time (s)

11.30 Ulysses: Continuing John Scotney's adaptation of James Joyce's epic novel (7 of 16)

12.00-12.30am News, incl **12.27** Weather **12.33** Shipping Forecast

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RADIO 1

FM Stereo and MW. 4.00am Neale James (FM only) 6.00 Gary King 9.00 Bates's Mates: Phil Collins 11.00 The Radio 1 Roadshow, with Simon Mayo and the Breakfast Crew from the Rugby Club, Ilfracombe 12.30pm Newsbeat 12.45 Gary Davies: Let's Do Lunch 3.00 Paul McKenna in the Afternoon 5.30 News '91 6.00 Jakki Brambles 7.30 Mark Goodier's Evening Session 9.00 The Man Ezeke Sunshine Show 10.00 Nicky Campbell Goes Into the Night 12.00-4.00am Bob Harris (FM only)

RADIO 2

FM Stereo. 4.00am Steve Madden: The Early Show 6.00 Ken Bruce 7.30 Brian Hayes 9.30 Judith Chalmers 11.00 Jimmy Young 1.05pm Mark Wynter 2.00 Gloria Hunniford 4.00 Gyles Brandreth 5.05 John Dunn 7.00 On the Air: *David Rider presents the nostalgic radio quiz 7.30 Jim Macleod's Scottish Dance Party* 8.00 Jim Lloyd with Folk on 2 from the Vancouver Folk Festival in Canada 9.00 Nigel Ogden: The Organist Entertains 9.30 Six Silver Strings: The Scottish jazz guitarist Charles Alexander examines the rich variety of styles of guitar music (1 of 7) 10.00 Chris Stuart 12.05am Jazz Parade 12.35am Bill Rennells with Night Ride 3.00-4.00 A Little Night Music

RADIO 5

6.00am World Service: News and 24 Hours 6.30 Morning Edition, incl at 6.30, 7.00, 7.30, 8.00, 8.30, 9.00 News; Sport 9.00 Take Five 10.25 1, 2, 3, 4, 5 10.40 This Family Business, incl at 11.00, 12.00 News; Sport 12.30pm And Now Read On . . . 1.00 News and Sport; 1, 2, 3, 4, 5 (r) 1.20 Music Mix, incl at 2.00 News; Sport 2.30 World Service, incl at 3.00, 4.00 News; Sport 4.35 Five Aside 7.20 Monsters and Magic: The Window Cleaner and the Enchanted Kite. Third of five tales by the poet Jean Kenward 7.35 Susumu's Story: A play by David Holman (final part) 8.00 International Athletics: Weltklasse Grand Prix from Zurich 10.00 News; Sport 10.10 Hit the North, incl 11.00 Sport 12.00-12.10am News; Sport

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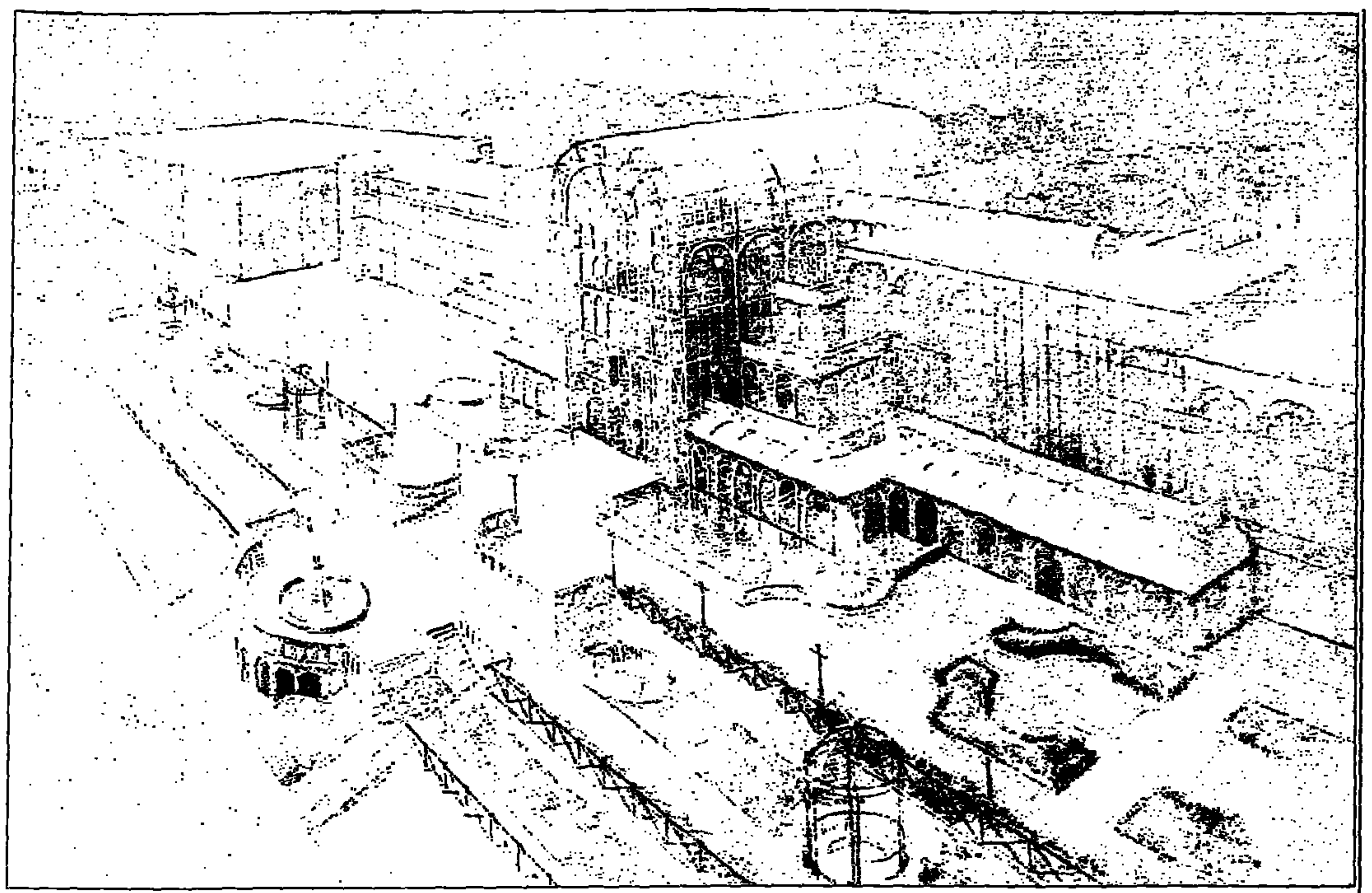


Palace of varieties: what the new Crystal Palace for the 21st century will look like, complete with its 36-lane bowling alley, hotel and night club

Leisure-age Crystal Palace gets a Tudor pub and bowling alley

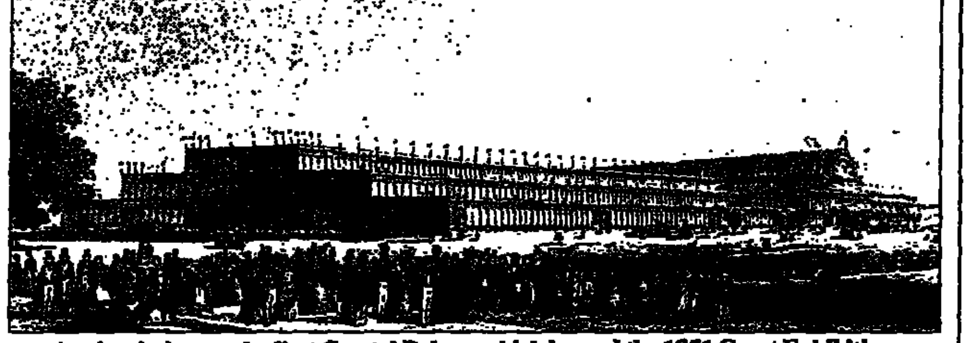
By Rupert Steiner

THE Crystal Palace is to rise from the ashes, not so much a phoenix more a popinjay. Paxton's 1851 glass exhibition hall is to be re-created in south London with a modern glass edifice featuring a 36-lane bowling alley, a Tudor theme pub and a three-star hotel.

Bromley Council, which owns the 12-acre site, has approved a £25 million plan by the Chester firm THI to develop the area left derelict since the original palace burnt down in 1936. But the building Prince Albert saw as a showcase of all that was great about Britain at the height of the Industrial Revolution is now aimed squarely at the entertainment market.

Joan Wykes, chairman of Bromley Council's leisure services committee, said: "The site has been derelict for 55 years; it has been defunct and gone for all that time. We are not putting on an exhibition for Britain now.

"That was Prince Albert's idea then, when we led the world with great engineers like Brunel whom we were proud of. We feel now that some use should be made of the site and the most suitable is a hotel."



A prince's dream: the first Crystal Palace, which housed the 1851 Great Exhibition

The scheme's architect, David Hartland, said: "We have devised something that represents the spirit of Paxton's building. It is not a copy and we do not believe it is a pastiche."

His new construction will occupy the original site of the Victorian building and feature a central vaulted glass galleria 75ft tall, which can be used as exhibition and display space. Extending on either side will be hotel accommodation with 150 bedrooms on three floors run by THI under a Holiday Inn franchise. At one end will be a ten-screen cinema; at the other a bowling alley with night-club above. Mr Hartland said most of the glass used will be "pacified" – glass one cannot see through.

The original Crystal Palace was designed by gardener Joseph Paxton in nine days and built in Hyde Park for the Great Exhibition of 1851.

Three years later it was reconstructed at Sydenham Hill, south London, where it stood until fire destroyed it in 1936. Soon after *The Times* said it would cost less then the price of a battleship to restore, but the Government took no action. Since then numerous plans have been proposed for its redevelopment, but none came to fruition. Bromley has undertaken some restoration of the grounds, including terraces leading up to the site of the palace and in the 1960s the National Sports Centre was built in the grounds.

John Yaxley, vice-president of the Norwood Society, said he believed that the development was the best they could expect, given the commercial circumstances. "After many years of failure we would look at any scheme seriously. The present one looks acceptable, especially with Paxton's similarities. We would have preferred more of the facilities to have more of a community element, but we accept this is not financially viable."

THI's chairman Carl Lewis said: "The scheme is for families. The exhibition held in the 19th century was for families. This is a modern version of what Paxton was creating for the community."

UN chief to meet envoy

Continued from page 1

photograph of Terry Anderson. The group has been holding Mr Anderson, aged 49, the Associated Press chief Middle East correspondent, since March 1985. Another US citizen in their custody is the American University's professor of agriculture, Thomas Sutherland, aged 60, who was taken from his home in Beirut on June 9, 1985.

Four other Americans, three Britons, two Germans and an Italian have also been held hostage in Lebanon for many months.

Islamic Jihad's statement said: "The issue of the hostages and the detainees around the world has become complicated and has disturbed for many years homes and decision-making centres around the world.

"The crisis has wiped out many policies and has become today a resource for the policies of America and Israel. it has been left unattended and this complicated issue will never be resolved until they deal with it in a responsible and serious manner."

Captors' hints, page 6

Fidel still casts spell over island of decay

IN Cuba's steamy humidity, everything – not least the economy – moves slowly. The opening ceremony of the Pan-American Games here overran by an hour, partly because the young women dressed in flamenco style who led each of the 39 teams into the stadium, walked as though down the aisle on their wedding day.

Economic isolationism – roundly denied by Fidel Castro – has not brought the nation to its knees, but these are hard times for this huge, unpolluted island of rare beauty without natural resources excluding its sugar cane, rum and tobacco leaf. Food queues are everywhere; paper is so scarce newspapers are slim or even suspended, while result-sheets at the Games are scarce enough to be collectors' items.

The Games flame at the main stadium burns smokily from paraffin. To alleviate the fuel crisis, Castro imported hundreds of thousands of bicycles from China. Fatal accidents abound, mostly among the young and fit: with transplant surgery advanced in Cuba, cyclists are cynically nick-named "donors".

Lobsters come as large as rabbits from the warm waters, but press too hard with your fork when cutting one, even at a formal function at the Palacio de Convenciones, and the cheap implement will fold in two. Realisation of the export potential of its abundant, unexploited seafood to capitalist markets is just one of Castro's dilemmas.

At the recent Ibero-American summit of 21 Latin countries at Guadalajara, Mexico, Castro stated: "Europe has united, why shouldn't we (the Latins) unite, since we all speak this marvellous language?" Diplomatic relations have been reopened with Colombia and Chile, and observers believe Castro's lifeline to economic survival and eventual harmony with the US will be achieved without loss of face via improved Central American relations.

A delegation of 20 technicians recently visited Toronto: there are plans to build 1,000 hotels, and Cuba needs more sophisticated bathroom, kitchen and front-desk equipment for the discerning tourist. Few of the shining Italian coffee machines installed at the Games refreshment bars work properly yet.

Tourist transport is not a problem. Cuba is littered with unused military airfields available for charter flights, one of them already serving the golden sands of the Varadero holiday resort on Bahía de Cárdenas peninsula.

Needless to say, the Germans have already discovered the Varadero haven, where prices for the moment are unreal: I rented a 20ft catamaran for under £10 an hour. There is the space here to build 200 golf courses without anyone even noticing them.

Havana is a revelation to the newcomer, a sad contradiction. Here is one of the world's truly magnificent cities, its wide tree-lined boulevards eloquent of a sumptuous colonial past. The sweeping six-mile waterfront makes San Juan look second-rate or Copacabana merely *nouveau*. Yet the city is crumbling like an old, abandoned wedding cake. The impressive pillared, stuccoed Spanish architecture decays, 30 years without paint, many houses without doors or window panes but still inhabited by the impoverished.

A feeling of unease runs through the city, of stirring, denied ambition. The young, exhorted by propaganda posters not to emigrate (illegally), know that there is another world. They can see it here and there: at Floridita's, Hemingway's old haunt and birthplace of the Daiquiri, a restaurant-bar established in 1818, then as The Silver Pineapple, and included by *Esquire* magazine in the 1930s among the world's seven best bars, together with Raffles in Singapore. Without money, youngsters gather at night in clusters along the sea wall, fishing, swimming, talking, courting, many still there at dawn.

Though Cubans have that language, agreeable Caribbean nature and a friendship that is instinctive, service to the tourists tends to be half-hearted. The open-air Tropicana nightclub has a floor show that is wooden, much less erotic than the evening street scene, when regular brief thunderstorms bathe the city and the scanty dresses of young women without umbrellas become almost transparent.

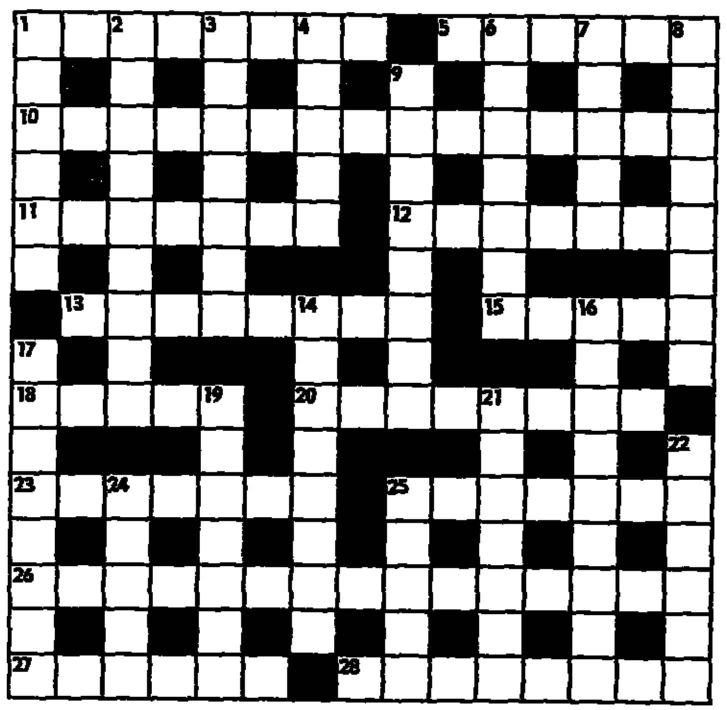
Castro dismisses market changes in Eastern Europe blindly as "crazy misfortunes". Yet it is easy to see how this revolutionary, who in 30 years has transformed a country from 95 per cent illiteracy and relative rural slavery into a modern society, is revered. There is true affection in the public chanting of "Fidel". *He is literally close* to the people. His personal magnetism is unreliable even if resident foreigners say *he has become a self-parody*.

He can be mocking. At a private function at the weekend for sporting VIPs he said: "We have 20,000 sports professors in this country ... they are available to help anyone who needs them ... there were so many at one time that I had to ask who was cultivating the fields." Clearly, Castro has to take a new direction. Everyone waits to see how soon and where.

David Miller

Games master: Castro cheers on a Cuban athlete

THE TIMES CROSSWORD PUZZLE NO 18,678



ACROSS

1 What a sapper might make round front of trenches (8).
5 Rider's novel whip penetrates to cause injury (6).
10 Fourth female on a roll, one of the last eight (7-8).
11 Bacon's frequent companion, top intellectual (7).
12 Botched job requiring Napoleon's attention (4,3).
13 Old man's daily diversions (8).
15 Bed – girl and terrible fellow share the same one (5).
18 Rustic doctor's "very fine cat" (5).
20 Paragon in ecclesiastical office, acceptable to church (8).
23 Wearing durable fabric (7).
25 As one appears with PR manipulation? (7).
26 Academic or key speaker purchasing record (3,5,7).
27 Certainly covered by legal document (6).
28 Fiddle recital introducing new musician (8).

DOWN

1 Softly one moves, in quiet game (6).
2 Bring up transport worker in van? Just the opposite! (9).
3 Job description makes clear one must fit in (7).
4 All in one colour, following trendsetter's lead (5).
6 Command change before D-day launched attack (7).
7 Revealing material writer turned up (5).
8 Give authority to see manager (9).
9 No silly assistant raised standard of pitch (8).
14 Bond with a single partner, brave to take on Dr. No (8).
16 Type of Aussie boys (9).
17 Impassioned denunciation cut short battle (8).
19 One inferior to leaders of earlier period, passed on (7).
21 He struggles with very little money (about a sovereign) (7).
22 Warning about hail a weather centre provided (6).
24 Bore in company's too dull (5).
25 Mate has stowed away contents of this vessel (5).

Solution to Puzzle No 18,677

I	N	C	H	O	A	T	E	■	D	E	B	T	O	R
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Concise crossword, page 15

This puzzle was solved within 30 minutes by 17 per cent the competitors at the 1991 Bristol regional final of The Times Collins Dictionaries Crossword Championship.

WORD-WATCHING

A daily safari through the language jungle. Which of the possible definitions is correct?

By Philip Howard

PLISKIE
a. A nocturnal hobgoblin
b. A condition or plight
c. A herringbone cloud pattern

DOMETT
a. A sweet dumpling or doughnut
b. A single masted sailing ship
c. Cotton and woollen cloth

SLUIT
a. A loose woman
b. A narrow water-channel
c. Slain

EPITONIC
a. A musical notation
b. Overstrained
c. A fortifying potion

Answers on page 15, column 1

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MIDDAY: t=thunder; d=drizzle; fg=fog; s=sun; sl=sleet; sn=snow; f=fair; c=cloud; r=rain

	C	F			C	F	
Ajaccio	28	82	s	Madrid	37	99	s
Akrotiri	29	84	s	Majorca	30	86	s
Alex'dria	29	84	s	Malaga	29	84	s
Algiers	35	95	s	Malta	31	88	s
Amst'dm	26	79	s	Melb'rne	13	55	c
Athens	32	90	f	Miami*	33	91	s
Bahrain	32	90	s	Milan	29	84	s
Bangkok	31	88	f	Montreal*	17	63	r
Barbados*	31	88	f	Moscow	23	73	s
Barcelna	28	82	s	Munich	26	79	s
Beirut	29	84	s	Nairobi	21	70	f
Belgrade	26	79	c	Naples	31	88	s
Berlin	30	86	f	N Delhi	30	86	f
Bermuda*	32	90	f	N York*	27	81	f
Biarritz	22	72	d	Nice	27	81	s
Borde'x	31	88	s	Oslo	17	63	c
Brussels	30	86	s	Paris	32	90	s
Budapest	27	81	s	Peking	33	91	s
B Aires*	16	61	s	Perth	16	61	f
Cairo	33	91	s	Prague	27	81	s
Cape Tn	15	59	s	Reykjavik	12	54	r
Chicago*	23	73	f	Rhodes	30	86	s
Ch'church	13	55	f	Rio de J	20	68	s
Cologne	31	88	s	Riyadh	39	102	s
C'phagn	20	68	c				
Corfu	29	84	s	Rome	28	82	s
Dublin	14	57	d	Salzburg	27	81	s
Dubrovnik	30	86	f	S F'risco*	19	66	s
Faro	29	84	s	Santiago*	9	48	c
Florence	33	91	s	S Paulo*	25	77	f
Frankfurt	30	86	s	Seoul	28	82	c
Funchal	25	77	f	St'kholm	21	70	r
Geneva	28	82	s	Strasb'rg	29	84	s
Gibraltar	27	81	s	Sydney	17	63	s
Helsinki	25	77	s	Tangier	25	77	s
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London	23	73	f	Wash'ton*	29	84	s
L Angels*	21	70	c	Well'ton	13	55	r

* denotes figures are latest available

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Anglesey	-	.07	16	61	rain
Aviemore	2.8	.11	20	68	bright
Belfast	1.4	.04	19	66	rain
Birmingham	0.2	.02	20	68	cloudy
Blackpool	-	.02	19	66	rain
Bognor Regis	4.1	-	19	66	bright
Bournemouth	-	-	19	66	dull
Brighton	2.8	-	19	66	bright
Buxton	0.3	.01	18	64	rain
Cardiff	0.2	-	19	66	cloudy
Clacton	3.1	-	23	73	bright
Colwyn Bay	-	.02	19	66	cloudy
Edinburgh	0.6	-	20	68	cloudy
Eskdalemuir	0.1	.50	17	63	drizzle
Exmouth	-	-	18	64	dull
Falmouth	0.5	.15	18	64	drizzle
Folkestone	5.9	-	21	70	bright
Guernsey	9.5	-	23	73	sunny
Hastings	6.9	.01	20	68	bright
Hunstanton	2.3	-	22	72	bright
Jersey	5.5	-	25	77	sunny
Littlehampton	3.5	-	20	68	bright
Lowestoft	3.8	-	24	75	bright
Morecambe	0.1	.05	18	64	rain
Newcastle	1.2	.02	20	68	rain
Newquay	1.0	.05	19	66	rain
Nottingham	0.6	.04	19	66	rain
Penzance	0.6	.18	19	66	drizzle
Plymouth	-	.06	17	63	drizzle
Poole	0.2	-	20	68	cloudy
Salcombe	0.6	.02	18	64	cloudy
Sandown	0.3	-	21	70	cloudy
Shanklin	4.8	-	20	68	bright
Southend	4.3	-	23	73	bright
Southsea	2.3	-	20	68	bright
St. Ives	0.6	.13	19	66	dull
Stornoway	3.2	.32	17	63	shower
Swanage	2.0	-	19	66	cloudy
Teignmouth	0.4	-	21	70	cloudy
Tenby	0.5	.16	18	64	drizzle
Tiree	3.7	.30	17	63	bright
Torquay	0.4	.05	21	70	cloudy
Wick	6.6	.04	19	66	rain
Worthing	2.6	-	19	66	cloudy

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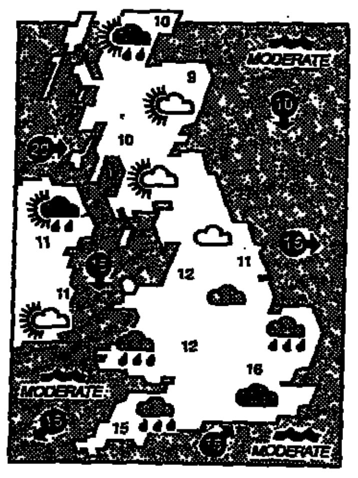

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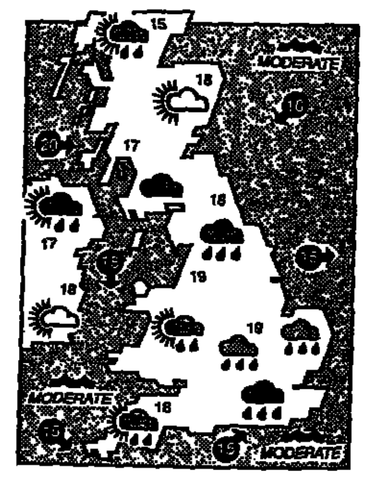

Monday: Highest day temp: Margate, Kent, and Jersey, Channel Islands, 25C (77F); lowest day max: Cape Wrath, Highland, 15C (59F); highest rainfall: St Bees Head, Cumbria, 0.55 in; highest sunshine: Guernsey, Channel Islands, 9.5 hr.

London 8.39 pm to 5.34 am
Bristol 8.49 pm to 5.44 am
Edinburgh 9.09 pm to 5.29 am
Manchester 8.55 pm to 5.35 am
Penzance 8.58 pm to 6.00 am

Sun rises: 5.33 am
Sun sets: 8.39 pm
Moon rises 1.43 am
Moon sets 7.1 pm
New moon August 10

MANCHESTER

Yesterday: Temp: max 6am to 6pm, 22C (72F); min 6pm to 6am, 15C (59F). Rain: 24hr to 6pm, 0.094 in. Sun: 24hr to 6pm, 1.9 hr.

HIGH TIDES

TODAY	AM	HT	PM	HT	TODAY	AM	HT	PM	HT
London Bridge	11.49	6.1			Liverpool	9.19	8.1	9.53	8.4
Aberdeen	11.37	3.7			Lowestoft	7.18	2.2	7.54	2.2
Avonmouth	4.53	10.9	5.27	11.4	Margate	9.56	4.2	10.31	4.3
Belfast	9.5	3.1	9.33	3.3	Milford Haven	4.5	5.7	4.39	6.0
Cardiff	4.38	10.2	5.12	10.8	Newquay	3.2	5.8	3.35	6.0
Devonport	3.36	4.4	4.14	4.7	Oban	4.25	3.2	4.42	3.3
Dover	9.8	5.6	9.33	5.9	Penzance	2.45	4.4	3.20	4.7
Falmouth	3.6	4.2	3.44	4.5	Portland	4.48	1.5	5.12	1.7
Glasgow	10.59	4.1	11.13	4.3	Portsmouth	9.30	4.0	9.50	4.2
Harwich	9.43	3.4	10.21	3.6	Shoreham	9.16	5.3	9.48	5.5
Holyhead	8.33	4.8	9.5	5.0	Southampton	9.12	4.0	9.29	4.2
Hull	4.14	6.1	4.55	6.4	Swansea	4.14	7.9	4.48	8.2
Ilfracombe	3.51	7.5	4.25	7.8	Tees	1.32	4.5	2.9	4.7
King's Lynn	4.17	5.3	4.58	5.6	W'ton-on-Nze	9.42	3.6	10.17	3.8
Leith	12.15	4.7	12.54	4.8					

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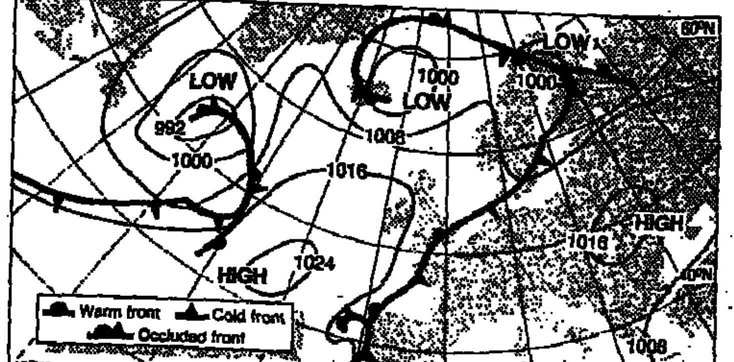

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Nadir loses passport appeal

ASIL Nadir, chairman of Polly Peck International, the collapsed fresh fruit, electronics and hotels group, failed on appeal to the High Court yesterday to have his passport returned (Angela Mackay writes).

Mr Nadir wished to accompany Polly Peck's administrators, Michael Jordan and Richard Stone, of Coopers & Lybrand Deloitte, on a trip to northern Cyprus and Turkey to try to unravel the company's complicated finances in the region.

Mr Justice May refused a submission from Anthony Scrivener QC, Mr Nadir's counsel, made on appeal from a decision in Bow Street magistrates court last week when the magistrate refused to vary Mr Nadir's bail conditions to allow the return of his passport. Mr Nadir faces 18 charges of theft and false accounting worth £25 million.

The High Court judge made his decision after hearing the Serious Fraud Office's objections, and despite evidence from the administrators, who said Mr Nadir's presence in the region would make it easier to obtain access to accounts and documentation related to Polly Peck's investments in Turkey and Cyprus.

Rustenburg up

Rustenburg Platinum Holdings' final dividend of 225 cents makes 350 cents (72p) for the year to end-June, against 310 cents last time, after net profits of R604 million (£124 million) against R551.3 million. Lebowa Platinum Mines shows net 1990 profits of R10.2 million against R18.6 million, and is not paying a dividend, against 7.5 cents last time.

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Director resigns

Anthony Lorkin, aged 56, resigned as an executive director of House of Fraser yesterday after four weeks in the position. He was unavailable for comment.

THE POUND

US dollar
1.7120 (+0.0035)

German mark
2.9310 (–0.0102)

Exchange index
91.1 (–0.1)

STOCK MARKET

FT 30 Share
1989.0 (–10.4)

FT-SE 100
2573.3 (–12.1)

New York Dow Jones
2991.28 (+2.24)*

Tokyo Nikkei Avge
23464.96 (–368.29)

MAJOR CHANGES

RISES:	
Invergordon Distl	254½p (+92p)
Highland Distl	295½p (+27p)
Schroders	882½p (+23p)
Sothebys	800p (+25p)
Davies & Newman	145p (+10p)
FALLS:	
Tace	262½p (–10½p)
J Smurfit	610p (–13p)
Derwent Holdings	615p (–15p)
News Corp	370p (–10p)
Cardiff Property	212½p (–12p)
Hawker Siddeley	571p (–8p)
Fisons	481p (–8p)
Reuters	804½p (–10p)
Candover	245p (–18p)
Cambridge Elec	165½p (–8p)
RMC Group	645½p (–10p)
Amersham	366p (–13p)
Bass	909p (–8p)
Union Discount	302½p (–14p)
BOC	574p (–11p)

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INTEREST RATES

London: Bank Base: 11%
3-month interbank 10³¹⁄₃₂-10⅞%
3-month eligible bills:10½-10⁷⁄₁₆%
US: Prime Rate 8½%
Federal Funds 5⅝%*
3-month Treasury Bills 5.45-5.44%*
30-year bonds 98²⁷⁄₃₂-98²⁹⁄₃₂*

CURRENCIES

London:	New York:
£: $1.7120	£: $1.7120*
£: DM2.9310	$: DM1.7125*
£: SwFr2.5594	$: SwFr1.4945*
£: FFr9.9698	$: FFr5.8235*
£: Yen232.32	$: Yen135.65*
£: Index:91.1	$: Index:65.8
ECU £0.699201	SDR £0.769875
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GOLD

London Fixing:
AM $357.20 pm-$357.00
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NORTH SEA OIL

Brent (Aug) ...... $19.40 bbl ($19.50)
* Denotes latest trading price

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Bank maintains interim dividend after record bad debt provisions of £902m

NatWest profit plunges by three quarters

By Neil Bennett, Banking Correspondent

RECORD provisions of £902 million against bad debts cut profits at National Westminster, Britain's second largest bank, by more than three quarters during the first half of the year.

The bank's pre-tax profits plunged to £102 million, from £431 million in the first half last year, despite a strong improvement in the bank's underlying performance. The slump has forced NatWest to hold its interim dividend at 6.13p.

NatWest is the last of the main high street banks to report its half-year figures. As a whole, the banks suffered bad debt provisions of £2.66 billion, or more than £600,000 an hour, day and night, during the six months. All have agreed there will be little improvement in the rest of the year.

Lord Alexander of Weedon, chairman of NatWest, said the results reflected the misfortunes of the bank's customers. "They are a harsh indication that extreme swings in the economic cycle are thoroughly damaging to our customers, to us as bankers, and therefore to our shareholders. We have used this recession to look at every aspect of our business and undertake a fundamental rethink of what we are doing," he said.

Derek Wanless, the head of the bank's UK financial services, said NatWest managers are reporting a total lack of confidence in the economy among businessmen.

Lord Alexander said NatWest had been hit more severely by the recession than its competitors because of its presence in America and the Southeast bias in its operations in Britain.

During the half year, NatWest cut its workforce by 3,500, partly by natural wastage, but including 300 redundancies, although it created 900 new jobs in other parts of the group. Despite this, costs rose 8 per cent to £2.1 billion because of a rise in legal and professional fees incurred in assessing and recovering bad debts.

The job cuts and a rise in non-interest income helped boost the bank's operating profit 14 per cent to £979 million. Lord Alexander said this showed that the bank's core business was strong.

He said: "We are a determined business. The plans we have laid provide a sound base for the development of NatWest's strategy in the United Kingdom, Europe and our other markets."

NatWest's bad debt charge is the worst in the sector, and compares with £425 million in the first half last year and £728 million in the second half. The commercial and personal provisions were £955 million, but were reduced by a £53 million profit on the sale of Third World debt.

Bad debts in Britain were £668 million. A third of these were made for personal customers, with two thirds caused by business clients. Tom Frost, the bank's chief executive, said two thirds of the provisions were for amounts of £250,000 or less, showing the problems suffered by small businesses in particular.

NatWest has appointed John Melbourn, a senior executive, as the chief executive of group credit risk. He is being asked to review NatWest's lending policies and suggest ways it can lessen its bad debts and improve recoveries.

Bad debts cut profits from the bank's core financial services division from £372 million to £49 million. Meanwhile, losses in the international division worsened to £197 million, from a deficit of £25 million last time. This was due to heavy provisions in NatWest Bancorp in America.

Investment banking broke even, compared with a loss of £63 million last year. The division, which has been given two years to reach profitability targets or face closure, would have made a profit but for a series of provisions on reorganisations and securities holdings.

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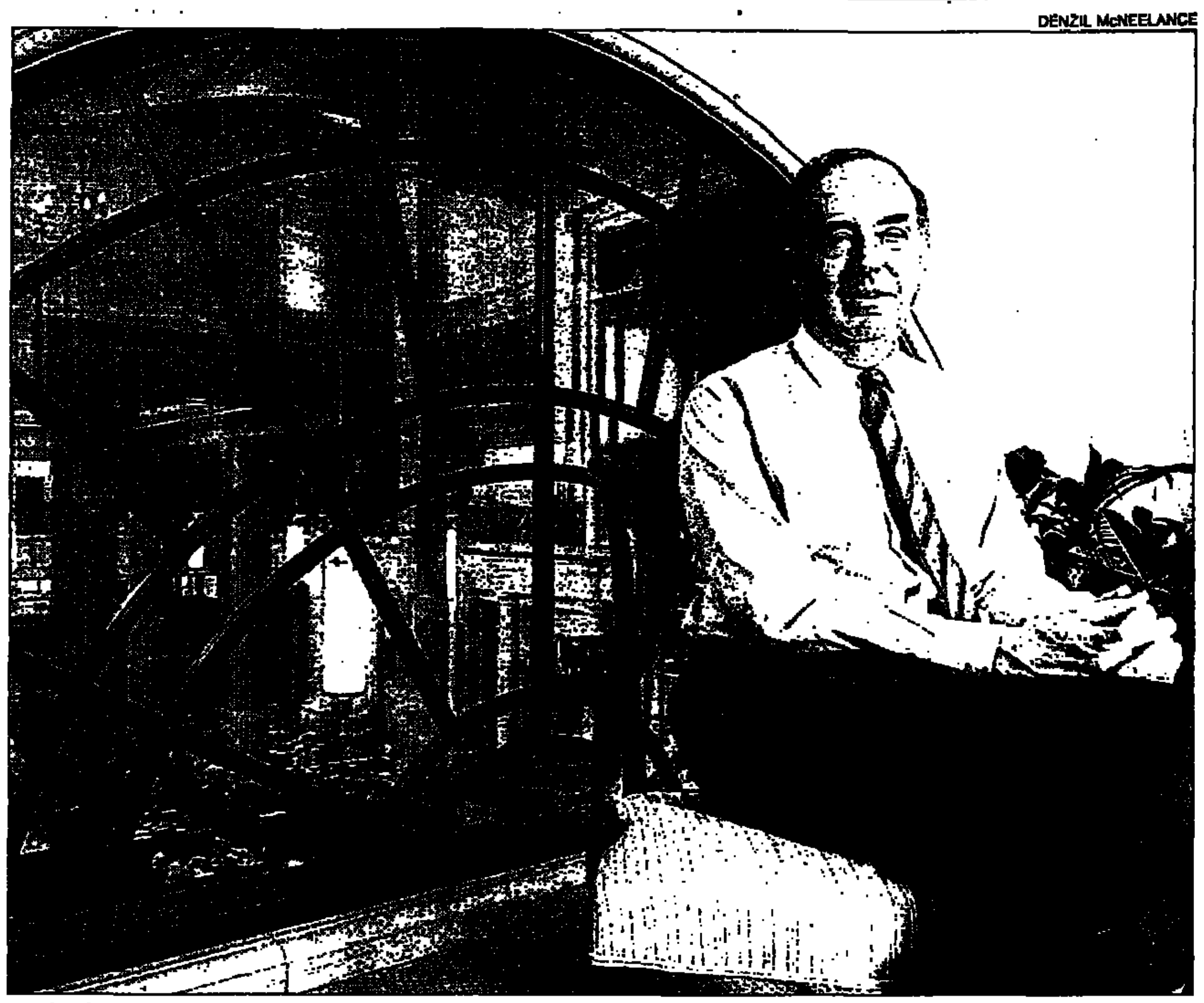

Fundamental rethink: Lord Alexander says extreme swings in the economic cycle have been thoroughly damaging

Midland closes Vector

By Sara McConnell

MIDLAND Bank will close its Vector interest bearing current account to new business from the end of this month, further evidence that the Eighties yuppie is dying a painful death.

The Vector account was launched in April 1987 to service upwardly mobile professionals whom the bank defined as being "in need of flexible lending arrangements". The account offered a built-in interest free overdraft of £250, with further funds available if necessary and paid interest on current account balances. Customers paid a monthly £10 fee.

Kevin Gavaghan, Midland's UK marketing director, said: "Those people who were 25 in 1987 are now 29 and may have homes and families and other commitments. Some of these younger people may also be out of work."

The Midland is instead pushing its Meridian account, aimed at the thriving 40 to 60 market of empty nesters with grown up children, and dinkies (dual income, no kids yet).

Liquidations rise 72% in first half

By Ross Tieman
Industrial Correspondent

THE number of British companies liquidated during the first half of the year soared 72 per cent, to 11,112, according to figures from KPMG Peat Marwick McLintock, the accountant.

The rate of increase was greatest in South Wales and the Midlands, where the number of companies wound up more than doubled.

Tim Hayward, the firm's head of corporate recovery, predicted that liquidations would continue at similar levels for the next six to nine months.

Because liquidation often takes place months, or even years, after a receiver is appointed to a company, the KPMG figures are best seen as a measure of the scale of the shakeout which hit business last autumn. It was then that the effects of recession, which were initially concentrated in service sector companies in the Southeast, began to "ripple" out to other regions, and into other sectors. Mr Hayward said: "The Midlands has clearly been hit by the problems of the motor industry, which accounts for a large part of the Midlands economy. That may also partly explain the rise in South Wales."

Mr Hayward said the recession had "dug so deep that any upturn will be almost imperceptible and very gradual." He pointed out, however, that the number of liquidations remained modest, relative to an increase in the number of companies in Britain of 150,000 between 1986 and last year.

The largest number of liquidations continued to occur in the Southeast, where the number rose 67 per cent to 6,380, but the scale of increase was greatest in South Wales, where liquidations were up 113 per cent to 323, closely followed by the Midlands, up 106 per cent to 1,442.

The smallest increases were recorded in the Northeast, with a 60 per cent rise to 958, and the Southwest, gaining 62 per cent to 559.

Invergordon rejects American Brands

By Michael Tate, City Editor

INVERGORDON Distillers Group, supplier of own-label whisky to retail chains such as Tesco, Safeway, Gateway and the Co-op, is fighting for its independence only 15 months after going public following a £286 million takeover bid from Whyte & Mackay, the group that produces Claymore and Crawfords whisky and Vladivar vodka.

Whyte & Mackay, owned by Gallaher, the tobacco group that is part of American Brands, is offering 225p in cash for every Invergordon share in a move that would establish the third-largest producer of Scotch whisky.

The bid has been fiercely resisted by Invergordon. Dr Chris Greig, managing director, described the offer as "wholly inadequate" and said: "All the value in this proposal is for Whyte & Mackay. We believe we have a better future as an independent." Whyte & Mackay's offer values Invergordon, which is seen as the only independent whisky distiller on the stock market, at a 38 per cent premium to the 163p closing price on Monday, and 66.7 per cent above the 135p price at which the shares were offered to the public in May last year.

It was the subject of a £93 million buyout from Hawker Siddeley, its previous owner, in October 1988, and more than 12 per cent of the shares are held by Invergordon directors and employees.

Michael Lunn, chairman and chief executive of Whyte & Mackay, said the bid valued Invergordon at 18.6 times its 1990 earnings and 16.2 times its own broker's projections for the current year.

Invergordon shares rose from 163p to 255p, on speculation that a bid battle could lead to a higher price being offered.

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Dollar falls as mark strengthens

By Wolfgang Münchau and Susan Ellicott

THE dollar continued its slide against the mark yesterday, amid growing expectations of a cut in federal fund rates and further indications that the Bundesbank might raise the discount rate later this month.

The dollar closed in London at DM1.7105, down 1.1 pfennigs. Sterling rose 0.55 cents against the dollar, closing at 1.7135. The slide in the dollar mainly benefited the mark, as the pound fell 1 pfennig to DM 2.9309.

The dollar has fallen sharply against the mark since Friday, having lost more than 5 pfennigs, after the publication of the July American employment figures, which showed a 51,000 drop in non-farm employment. The slide continued amid expectations of an easing of the Fed's funding policy, and expectations of a 0.25 per cent cut in federal funds rates. The pressure on the dollar also increased on rumours of selling pressure from the Middle East and France.

The dollar's weakness benefits the mark, which in turn was boosted by comments from a member of the Bundesbank's central council, who raised expectation of a a rise in the German discount rate, currently 6.5 per cent.

Karl Thomas, head of the regional central bank of the federal state of Hesse, where inflation is more than 5 per cent, said yesterday that "a rise in the discount rate has been overdue for a long time". However, he added, a mere rise in the discount rate is unlikely to influence market rates, which are currently edging towards 9 per cent, equivalent to the lombard rate. Foreign-exchange markets have already discounted a 0.5 per cent rise in the key lombard rate at some stage during this month.

The earliest opportunity would be August 15, when the Bundesbank's central council meets first after the summer and under the presidency of Helmut Schlesinger, who succeed Karl Otto Pöhl at the beginning of this month.

Pressure towards higher German interest rates also came from the Chambers of German Industry and Commerce. In a most unusual move for an employers' federation, a spokesman advocated "painful Bundesbank measures such as further interest rate rises" to ensure monetary stability.

The Federal Reserve yesterday added reserves to the American money supply in a move seen as an effort to nudge interest rates lower and boost the economy as it emerges slowly from recession. Fed watchers interpreted the move as lowering the key federal funds rate, or the interest charged between banks, to 5.5 per cent from 5.75 per cent. The quarter-point change would cut the borrowing costs of businesses and consumers in the short term and presumably stimulate demand from both groups. The cut was the first since the end of April.

The Fed's latest move came four days after President Bush called for lower interest rates.

The BCCI affair

Founder's extradition does not arise

Abedi: heart ailment

From Our Correspondent
in Karachi

PAKISTAN appears likely to refuse any American extradition proceedings for Agha Hason Abedi, aged 69, the founder of the Bank of Credit and Commerce International who was indicted by a New York jury last week on charges of defrauding depositors of at least $5 billion.

In advance of Pakistan receiving any formal request from America, Jam Sadiq Ali, the chief minister of Sind province, announced that the question of Mr Abedi's extradition did not arise.

Mr Abedi lives in Karachi and suffers from a heart ailment. He has strong links with President Ghulam Ishaq Khan and other prominent politicians, both in the ruling and opposition parties. President Khan is also the chairman of the BCCI foundation that received more than 2 billion rupees (£48 million) from the troubled bank over the past eight years.

The foundation was formed in 1981 to provide grants to charity, healthcare, education institutions and scientific research in Pakistan. The entire profit earned by BCCI in Pakistan until 1989 went to the foundation.

Ghulam Ishaq Khan, Pakistan's finance minister in 1981, was chosen as chairman of the foundation with Mr Abedi as one of the members of the governing board. The BCCI's foundation has invested funds of £50 million, mostly in government bonds. According to the BCCI sources, the foundation also has shares in Attock Cement Factory.

The foundation has recently set up a research institute in Islamabad, known as the Ghulam Ishaq Khan Institute of Science and Technology.

Mr Abedi has also reportedly provided financial support to many Pakistani politicians. Jam Sadiq Ali is among them.

The chief minister is on the record as saying that Mr Abedi provided him with a house and financial aid when he was living in exile in London. Many former estate banks officials and bureaucrats had also been on the BCCI payroll.

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Admiral increases staff by a fifth

ADMIRAL, the computer services company, is going against the trend in its depressed industry by recruiting. Staff numbers increased by 20 per cent to 508 in the first half of this year.

Pre-tax profits increased from £1.51 million to £1.67 million and earnings per share from 9.1p to 10.3p. The interim dividend is lifted from 1.32p to 1.5p. The company holds £3.9 million in cash, up from £3.5 million a year ago.

New Wits rises

New Wits has raised its final dividend from 33 to 35 cents, making 52 cents (48 cents), after reporting an attributable net profit of R28.6 million (£5.85 million) for the year ended June 30 against R19.5 million. Vogelstruisbult Metal Holdings is paying an unchanged interim dividend of 25 cents for the six months ended June. Net profit fell from R5.82 million to R4.69 million.

Sumit omission

Sumit is passing its interim dividend (2p) after returning profits of £111,000 for the first half of this year (£341,000). Earnings per share fell from 3.4p to 1.1p. Simon Sharp, the chairman, said he did not know whether earnings would justify the payment of a final dividend.

CRT expands

CRT Group is acquiring Doctus Management Consultancy from the receivers of Doctus, the marketing and business services group that collapsed late last month. CRT is assuming liabilities of £500,000 and paying a maximum consideration of £200,000 in cash.

Brokers named

Cazenove and BZW have been appointed lead brokers to this autumn's sale of all or part of the government's remaining stake in British Telecom, working with SG Warburg, already lead British broker and global coordinator for the sale.

BP Espana buy

BP Espana, a subsidiary of British Petroleum, has bought 67.87 per cent of Petroleos del Mediterraneo, the Spanish oil refiner, bringing BP's holding to 92.77 per cent.

Cost cutting to continue at Scottish Nuclear

By Ross Tieman, industrial correspondent

SCOTTISH Nuclear has stepped up its campaign to cut costs by storing spent reactor fuel on site, after reducing its losses from £190 million to £32.5 million during the year to March 31.

James Haan, chairman, said the state-owned generator had been unable to agree acceptable prices for reprocessing with British Nuclear Fuels at Sellafield. Proposals to store up to 800 tonnes of spent fuel elements at the Hunterston plant on the Firth of Clyde, Strathclyde, and 1,200 tonnes at Torness, in the Highland region on the east coast of Scotland, were being examined by the Scottish Office.

Scottish Nuclear's two advanced gas-cooled reactors (AGR) are among the most efficient in Britain. Last year, they generated 42 per cent of Scotland's energy needs. The power was sold to Scottish Power and Scottish Hydro-Electric, the generating and distributing companies privatised in June, under contracts signed before their denationalisation.

The operating cost of power from the plants was 3p a unit, 25 per cent lower than the cost of power from Nuclear Electric, which owns and runs atomic plants in England and Wales. Output per employee was 6.1 gigawatt hours, almost twice the level achieved by Nuclear Electric.

Mr Haan said the main reason for the improved financial performance, however, was that the Scottish Office wrote off £2 billion of debts at the start of last year.

A profit of £42.9 million on operation of the two AGR stations was offset by the addition of £75.4 million to provisions of more than £2 billion to pay for their eventual closure.

Mr Haan said his company had "demonstrated a determination to challenge established thinking and prove that nuclear generation can be both safe and economic".

Success in his campaign to avoid reprocessing would transform the profitability of nuclear power generation in Scotland. Reprocessing accounted for £81 million of the company's costs last year. The company argues that supplies of uranium are plentiful, and that the spent fuel can be safely stored for 50 years beside the plants. The plan may meet strong opposition, however, from environmentalists.

Despite the closure of its old Magnox plant at Hunterston, Scottish Nuclear's sales were reduced by just £4.6 million to £422 million. But the company has not yet completed modifications to enable its newest plant, at Torness, to refuel under load, as originally designed.

Hardanger talks fall through

By Matthew Bond

EFFORTS by Hardanger Properties to restructure its borrowings suffered a set-back yesterday, when the company announced that negotiations mentioned at last month's extraordinary meeting had fallen through.

The talks were believed to involve a third party acquiring all Hardanger properties on which outstanding secured loans are held by Barclays, principal banker to the company, which specialises in developing provincial retail property.

A statement to the London Stock Exchange yesterday said that the board was pursuing an alternative proposal "which, it is hoped, will secure the solvency of the group". Hardanger's shares were suspended in April at 65p.

☐ City and County Land, the retail developer owned by Ladbroke, has reported signs of improving confidence in the retail property market. During the last three months, ten units in its Winchester, Hampshire, shopping centre had been let. Ten more are under negotiation.

Return to core: Colin Southgate, of Thorn-EMI

Thorn tubes sale referred to MMC

By Ross Tieman, industrial correspondent

PETER Lilley, the trade secretary, has caused a hiccup in Colin Southgate's restructuring of Thorn EMI by referring the proposed sale of the company's Electron Tubes subsidiary to the Monopolies and Mergers Commission.

Although the tube business is relatively modest, with annual sales of £7 million and just 220 employees, it is Britain's only photo-multiplier tubes maker. The tubes, which detect and measure light, are used in X-ray scanners, spectroscopes and various sorting machines. It is believed photo-multiplier tubes offer the best prospect of developing machines that can detect Semtex, an explosive which has been used for bombs on aircraft and other targets.

The reference was made on advice of Sir Gordon Borrie, director general of fair trading. The proposed buyer of EMI Electron Tubes is Hamamatsu of Japan, the world's leading maker of photo-multiplier tubes, accounting for about two-thirds of those sold.

There are two types of photo sensors. The photo-multipliers made by Thorn at Ruislip, west London, employ older technology but are more suitable for some applications than more modern silicone photodioxide devices.

Only three importers, Burle of America, Philips of The Netherlands, and Hamamatsu, compete with Thorn. If Hamamatsu bought Thorn's operations, it is believed its market share in Britain would exceed 50 per cent.

The MMC has been asked to make its report by November 8. If it vetoes the sale, Mr Southgate, Thorn's chairman, will find himself with a limited list of alternative buyers.

The proposed sale of Electron Tubes is the latest in more 60 divestments undertaken by Thorn since 1985. Mr Southgate has worked hard to focus the company upon core businesses, such as music, rentals and electronics. Less than two weeks ago, he announced the £82 million buyout of Thorn's computer software business by its managers.

German jobless figures increase

By Wolfgang Münchau
European business correspondent

UNEMPLOYMENT in western Germany rose by just over 100,000 in July to 1.69 million, or 6.3 per cent of the workforce, amid the first indications that the strong economic boom of the last two years is finally subsiding.

About 70,000 of the rise in the jobless was seasonal, leaving a real increase of about 30,000, which was above general expectations.

Although the real rise in unemployment is still relatively mild, the numbers support forecasts that economic growth will revert to more sustainable levels in the second half of this year, against a peak growth of an annualised 4.8 per cent in the second quarter.

In eastern Germany, unemployment rose by 226,000 to 1.07 million in July, or 12.1 per cent of the region's workforce, well below forecasts, while the number of short-time workers fell from 1.9 million to 1.6 million, after job creation schemes absorbed some of the unemployed. This came amid the first signs of an upturn in the eastern German economy, especially in the construction sector.

While unemployment figures are reported separately for both parts of the country, the statistics include a considerable error margin because of *pendler*, east Germans in the border areas who work in the west or in the western part of Berlin.

Increasing pessimism over unemployment in western Germany was fuelled yesterday by an announcement from Siemens-Nixdorf Informationssysteme, the loss-making computer subsidiary of Siemens, that it will cut 3,000 jobs out of a total of 51,000 in response to mounting losses.

The job losses, which come on top of 4,000 redundancies after the merger in 1989, will save an estimated DM600 million by the end of 1992. By this time, the cuts are expected to have been made. Most of the latest redundancies will be in Germany. SNI also confirmed yesterday that 1,000 jobs have been axed in France, Spain and Britain. This includes 98 at an SNI subsidiary in Bracknell, Berkshire.

BUSINESS ROUNDUP

Metal Bulletin pays same as profits fall

METAL Bulletin, the international business publishing and conference group, is holding its interim dividend at 2.4p a share after pre-tax profits slipped from £604,000 to £585,200 in the six months to end-June. Earnings were 4.2p a share, against 4.4p.

The company, which earns most of its profits in the second half, said business was severely affected by a lack of confidence during the Gulf war, although there was some recovery in March and April. During the period, Emap, the British publisher, acquired a 13.3 per cent shareholding in Metal Bulletin from Elsevier, of The Netherlands, increasing it to 14.3 per cent through market purchases. Emap ruled itself out of bidding for at least one year, however, in the absence of an offer from a third party. Metal Bulletin has cash of £3.3 million in the bank.

Greenbank sells for £2.6m

WALKER Greenbank, the commercial wallcoverings group, has raised £2.6 million in cash from the sale of Gimson Tendercare, a non-core operation, and a surplus property. Gimson, which makes stair lifts, has been bought by Thyssen Lifts for £1.5 million. The property was sold for £1.1 million. Greenbank has one non-core business left to sell.

British Alcan loses £3.2m

BRITISH Alcan Aluminium, the metals group that is wholly owned by Alcan Aluminium of Canada, has reported a first-half pre-tax loss to end-June of £3.2 million (£8.4 million profit). It gave warning that a significant improvement in performance was unlikely in the second half, given the state of the British economy and depressed aluminium prices.

Debt collection harder

DEBT collection has become more difficult in recession, figures for the first half of this year from the Association of British Factors and Discounters show. The average collection period for company bills lengthened to 65 days from 62 days in the first half of last year.

Tom Hutson, managing director of International Factors, the market leader owned by Lloyds Bank, said: "There is no doubt that the past six months have been a tough time for British businesses, Factors included." International Factors, which advances money to clients against outstanding bills, saw turnover increase 2.2 per cent in the first half of the year.

FOX plans NZ takeover

THE London Futures and Options Exchange is expected to become the new owner of the New Zealand Futures and Options Exchange if the NZFOE board's recommendation is accepted by its members, Gavin Kennedy, its chairman, said in Auckland. London FOX has sent a detailed proposal to buy the NZFOE.

Vital day for Bond Corp

THE future of the Bond Corporation hangs on an Australian Stock Exchange listing committee meeting today, which will consider delisting the company. One of the conditions of Bond's restructuring plan is that its ordinary shares continue to be listed. Trading in Bond Corporation's shares has been suspended since late 1989.

West closes Mand

WEST Industries, the debt-plagued engineering and construction group, announced the closure or receivership of two subsidiaries. Mand Testing Machines is being closed because of "cash flow difficulties" and the lack of further financial facilities from its bankers, and West's inability to provide financial support. The group said Miletree Construction was unable to trade out of its current financial difficulties and would ask its bank to appoint a receiver.

West said it had the support of its bankers and was still in refinancing talks. The main subsidiaries were trading satisfactorily. The share price was 1p lower at 3¾p.

Fear of unemployment 'restrains consumer spending and recovery'

By Ross Tieman
Industrial correspondent

GROWING fears of unemployment contributed to a fall in consumer confidence in Britain during the second quarter, according to a new study.

Even in the most optimistic regions, the North and Northwest, families appear more likely to save money than to spend it. Without a strong improvement in consumer demand, recovery from recession is likely to be slow.

"There is still a long way to go before consumer spending is going to get going again," said Bridget Rosewell, joint managing director of Business Strategies (BSL), which carried out the study in association with Gallup, the pollster.

She added: "The results suggest further cuts in interest rates could occur without there being a consumer boom."

Her conclusions provide further ammunition for those who argue that Norman Lamont, the Chancellor, is being excessively cautious in his management of the economy. The BSL analysis suggests that the Southeast, the West Midlands and Wales have been hardest hit by the prolonged period of high interest rates. In greater London, 18 per cent of families were either getting into debt or running down their savings.

Many householders in these regions continue to believe that now is not the time to make large purchases.

Even in the Northwest, where consumers appear least depressed, 23 per cent were less likely to make large purchases than they were a year ago, and 60 per cent thought it a good time to increase their savings. Mrs Rosewell said consumers everywhere were inclined towards "precautionary saving" to provide a cushion against the threat of unemployment. Nationwide, 73 per cent of consumers expect unemployment to increase.

According to BSL, the high level of indebtedness among consumers in the Southeast, much of it related to house purchase, made the region the first to enter recession, and will also make it among the last to recover. Recovery is more likely to be led by the northern half of the country, although there is little sign of optimism in Scotland.

The BSL analysis was based on the results of 6,000 interviews carried out by Gallup, making use of a structured cross-section of the population. The study has a predicted accuracy of plus or minus 3 per cent.

Measured by a "consumer sentiment index," optimism declined from -35 per cent to -37 per cent for the country as a whole between the latest quarters.

Welsh consumers, with a reading of -42 per cent, had the lowest level, while those in Yorkshire and Humberside, the West Midlands, and Scotland were also gloomier than the average.

The least pessimistic consumers were in East Anglia, where the index was -31 per cent.

Asked about their own situation, consumers showed wide discrepancies in optimism. On average, however, they expect their circumstances to stabilise over the coming year.

Financial situation of households, second quarter, 1991

Region	Balance % Last 12 months	 Next 12 months
North	-19	-3
Yorks & Humberside	-24	-1
East Midlands	-23	3
East Anglia	-16	7
South East	-17	0
South West	-21	0
West Midlands	-17	-6
North West	-15	-3
Wales	-20	-10
Scotland	-20	-2
GB	-23	-1

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For investments of £500 or more	10.98%	10.70%	8.18%	8.02%
★ BENEFIT SHARES				
For investments of £25,000 or more	11.54%	11.22%	8.58%	8.42%
For investments of £500 or more	11.11%	10.83%	8.28%	8.12%
MONTHLY INCOME SHARES				
For investments of £25,000 or more	10.92%	10.63%	8.13%	7.97%
For investments of £2,500 or more	10.58%	10.30%	7.87%	7.72%
THRIFT SHARES				
For investments of £25,000 or more	10.77%	10.50%	8.01%	7.87%
For investments of £500 or more	10.42%	10.17%	7.78%	7.62%

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	GROSS CAR	GROSS	NET CAR	NET
REGULAR SAVINGS				
£1 minimum per month		10.30%		7.72%
SHARE ACCOUNTS £1 min.				
Immediate withdrawals up to £20,000	5.99%	6.00%	4.55%	4.50%
★ OVERSEAS RESIDENT'S AND CHARITIES ACCOUNT				
For investments of £40,000 or more	11.87%	11.55%		
For investments of £500 or more	11.03%	10.75%		
INDEPENDENT				
(Closed for new investment)		11.10%		
TESSA £1 minimum				
(Tax Exempt Special Savings Account)		11.50%		

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Whitegate chief takes 30% pay cut

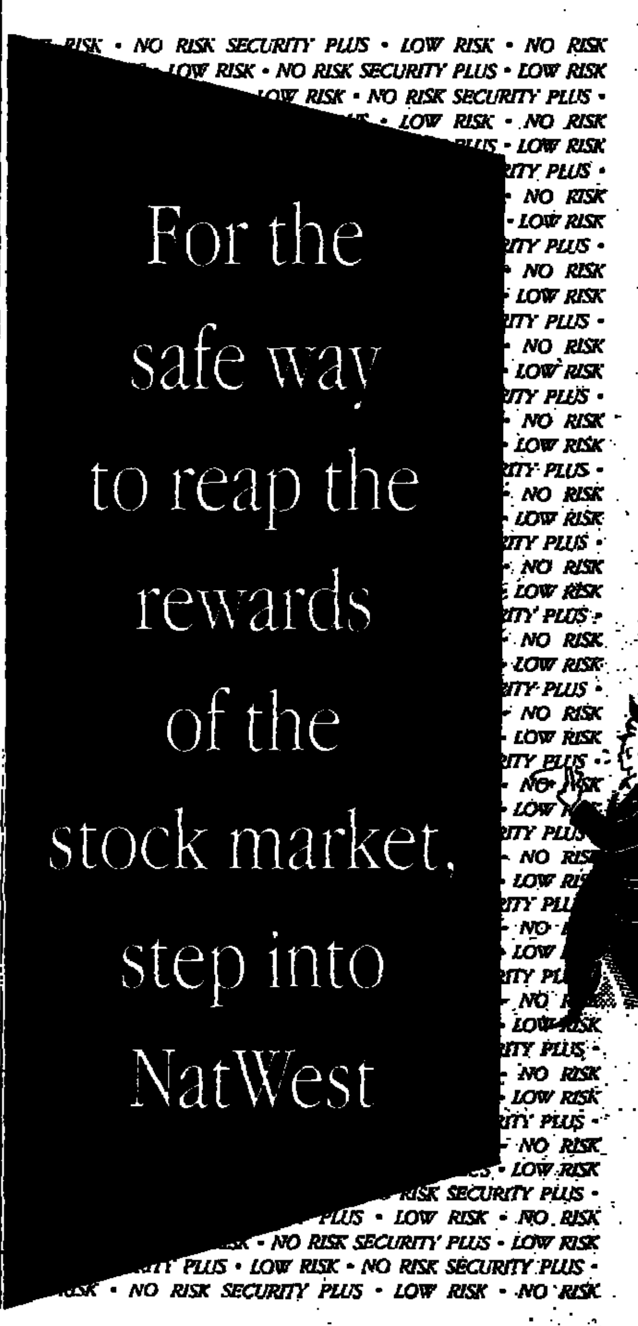
By Martin Barrow

NICK Oppenheim, chairman of Whitegate Leisure, is taking a 30 per cent pay cut in response to his leisure and property combine's plight.

Pre-tax profits fell from £442,000 to £54,000 in the six months to the end of June, reflecting an increase in interest charges from £933,000 to £2.1 million. The company, which has interests in ten-pin bowling, discotheques and nursing homes, does not pay an interim dividend.

Gearing remained steady at nearly 90 per cent of shareholders' funds but Mr Oppenheim, whose total pay will fall from £120,000 to £80,000, has resisted calls for immediate disposals to reduce debts because of depressed asset values. The company said yesterday: "Whitegate constantly evaluates its portfolio of activities and fully expects to dispose of underperforming businesses as appropriate. Certain candidates have already been identified; these will be sold immediately it becomes possible to do so on sensible terms."

Whitegate shares peaked at 87p in November 1990. They were unchanged at 21p yesterday amid hopes that the single dividend for the year will be at least maintained at 0.3p a share. At the operating level profits were £54,000, (£95,000 loss) before capitalised interest of £537,000.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Bankers weather the recession

Half-yearly figures from the high street banks in the past fortnight have given us hope in the face of adversity. On the face of it, the results were as dire as everyone had feared. Together, the big four suffered bad debts of £2.66 billion in six months, or £610,000 an hour.

The banks' chairmen, meanwhile, were universally pessimistic about the second half. Whatever economic upturn the government may still hope for, it will not permeate through to the lenders' balance sheets. Profits will continue to be meagre at best, while the days when banks increased their dividends regardless of the bottom line have become a distant memory.

But a much-needed reason to be cheerful can be found in the banks' operating profits. These show strong growth, due to tight cost control and a continued rise in income.

NatWest's experience is typical of its peers. Pre-tax profits may have fallen by three-quarters, but the outturn at the operating level has risen 14 per cent to a record £979 million.The reduction in costs had been anticipated. The recession gave the banks the opportunity to reduce their workforce and increase their dependence on technology rather than manpower to handle their paperwork.

The rise in income was more surprising, particularly in a downturn that has severely limited the appetite for debt among both companies and personal customers. Banks have increased their lending margins, as the Treasury report into the banks and small business confirmed, but, more important, they have also pushed through substantial increases in fees. NatWest's interest income rose only 4 per cent but its commission income increased a quarter.

The rise in income will have a marked impact on the banks' profitability once provisions start to fall. Spectators should not hold their breath, however. Bad debts have a habit of lagging behind the recession. Last time, provisions did not peak until 1984, well after the recession of the early eighties had run its course. By this measure, it could be another two years before the financial earthquake subsides. By then, the whole financial landscape may have changed.

Pensions pain

If a survey of pension funds being conducted for the CBI is correct, the full rigours of the European Court's April 1990 Barber judgment on equal pension ages for men and women could cost British industry dear. Assuming that any backdated payment or right that could be claimed is valid, actuaries Mercer Fraser calculate that the total increase in the liabilities of pension funds could be upwards of £40 billion, possibly requiring extra company pension contributions of about £3 billion a year.

These estimates have been rushed out early, while the survey is still being collated, because crucial cases on the extent to which the new rules should be backdated are now before the European Court. They are frightening. The trouble is that the pension industry has cried wolf in equally frightening terms several times before.

This happened most notably when Nigel Lawson, as Chancellor, mooted some breach in the tax exemptions enjoyed by the funds. The pension industry won, though the Revenue exacted the minor revenge of restricting tax-free surpluses in funds. In an earlier case, the industry argued, successfully at the time, that dire consequences would follow if laws to uprate pensions or deferred pensions annually were applied retrospectively to pension rights already earned.

Partly as a result of these propaganda victories and the new Revenue limits, however, most big company pension schemes became wildly overfunded and companies are enjoying the biggest round of contribution holidays in history. British Telecom alone is saving about £200 million a year and the total savings from pension holidays may well be greater than the extra contributions forecast to flow if everyone affected can claim back-dating from the Barber judgment.

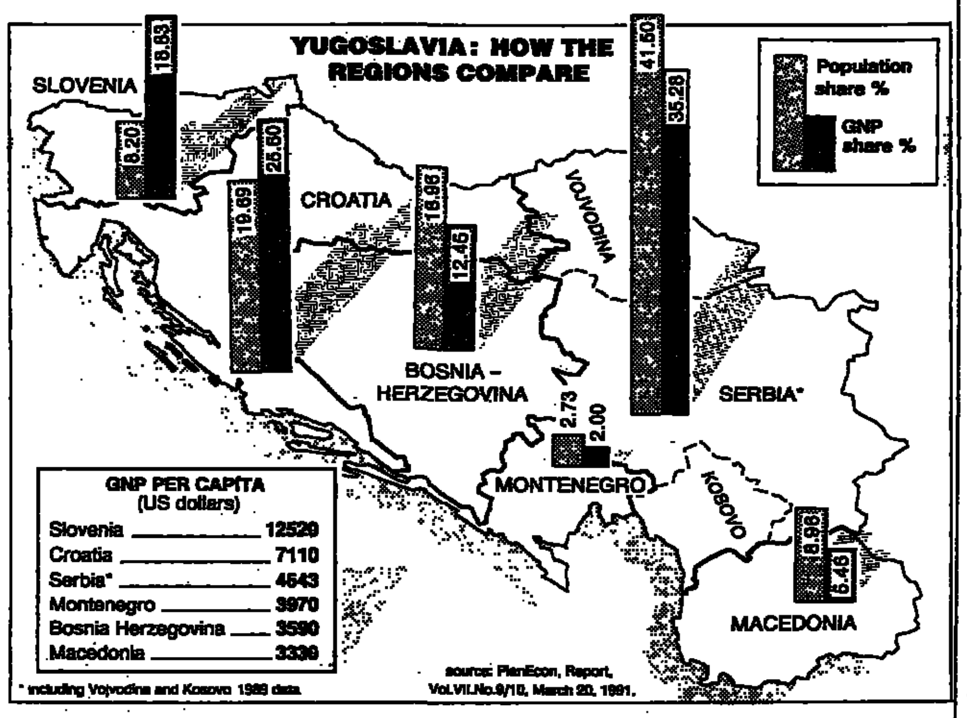
Many of these surpluses stem from large-scale redundancies. Early leavers, whether forced or voluntary, paid for the pension fund holidays through much reduced pension expectations. There is, therefore, some rough justice that male deferred pensioners or those who retired before age 65 on reduced pensions would account for about £10 to £15 billion of the £40 billion estimated cost.

A further £5 to £10 billion is included in the £40 million to compensate men who retired at the normal age for the pension they lost by not being able to retire as early as women. This liability seems most unlikely to arise unless the court takes a most extreme view, since, by definition, such people were being paid for their work and therefore seem to be in the same position as those who carry on working after normal retirment age.

About half the total cost, however, would be to allow any male working member of a pension scheme to retire at the same time as women members if the ages are different. The CBI argues that such equality of rights should apply only to pensions earned by future contributions, which would throw up strange anomalies. If, however, the retirement age were equalised at, say, 62 or 63 years, little of this cost might arise.

Economics of a civil war

Wolfgang Münchau outlines causes of the conflict in Yugoslavia



GNP PER CAPITA (US dollars)

Slovenia	12529
Croatia	7110
Serbia*	4543
Montenegro	3970
Bosnia Herzegovina	3590
Macedonia	3339

* including Vojvodina and Kosovo 1989 data

source: PlanEcon, Report, Vol.VII.No.9/10, March 20, 1991.

IF THE principal cause of wars is economic, as Keynes states, a civil war in Yugoslavia would be no exception. But while the economic argument might apply here, it does so in a rather perverse sense.

Considerations of wealth and wealth differentials were amid the most significant reasons behind the independence declarations of Slovenia and Croatia, and likewise behind the terse Serbian response. But it must be clear by now that a civil war would result in losers all round, economic and otherwise, within Yugoslavia and outside, irrespective of who wins. The reason for a civil war might have been economic, the outcome will certainly not be.

Forty years of communism gave Yugoslavia one of Europe's most unbalanced economies with a curious wealth distribution, not mitigated at all by the supposedly equalising tendencies of communist economic management.

As the graph shows, Slovenia and Croatia are the wealthiest republics by far. Slovenia, the most central European of all the republics, is also the wealthiest, and Croatia benefited strongly from tourists' hard currency.

Despite inter-republican transfers of funds, the average Slovenian wage, at $533 per month in 1990, was more than twice as high as in Kosovo, the smallest and poorest province. Naturally, Slovenia and Croatia felt their economic future could be safeguarded better outside a poor man's club.

At the end of 1989, Yugoslavia, in common with other east European countries, introduced a macro-economic stabilisation programme. The Markovic plan, named after the federal prime minister, aimed for a fully convertible dinar, pegged to the mark, the removal of most price controls, the introduction of wage controls and a tight monetary policy to stabilise the currency.

The Markovic plan worked briefly, and then collapsed. Inflation, 1,256 per cent in 1989, stopped abruptly, became negative in June last year, and rebounded to 120 per cent by the end of the year after a relaxation of the wage freeze.

By February this year, 7,293 Yugoslav companies, 23 per cent of the total, declared themselves insolvent, and unemployment rose to 20 per cent, the highest in eastern Europe. Last December, Ante Markovic had drawn up another plan, based on a free-market system for all of Yugoslavia, and a common market between the republics. This plan never worked either, and was fully laid to rest when Slovenia and Croatia declared their independence in June.

Some of the country's most acute economic problems have grown since the outbreak of the current tensions. Hard currency reserves dropped sharply, when tourists, who normally contribute $4 billion of revenue, took fright. The fall in reserves is particularly serious since Yugoslavia will now hardly be able to avoid defaulting on debt repayments this year.

Yugoslavia is due to repay $4.4 billion to western creditors in principal and interest this year, of which half is owed to commercial banks. Hard currency revenues will continue to decline, and might be insufficient to cover debt-repayments, let alone imports. Hence, Yugoslavia needs to reschedule debts to avoid an economic disaster.

The western response has worsened matters. As part of a crackdown on Serbia, the European Community has frozen a five-year 807 million ecus loan, a further Ecu100 million from a previous package, and Ecu61 million due this year as part of the Community's Phare aid programme. Earlier this year, the Yugoslav federal government failed to reach agreement with the IMF on a multi-billion dollar standby and the World Bank has stopped lending.

European foreign ministers yesterday discussed further sanctions against Serbia, including a trade embargo. While the fall in foreign currency reserves and a continuation of debt repayment would lead to sharply lower imports anyway, an embargo on Serbian exports, worth $4.19 billion in 1989, would further erode hard currency reserves.

Tourism, which amounts to 34 per cent of total exports, and much more in Croatia, has virtually disappeared as a source of income, and will not rebound next year even in the most optimistic scenario.

Hence, economic sanctions would make the slim chances of a debt-rescheduling package even less likely, thereby increasing the prospect of default. If Croatia and Slovenia achieve independence, which is unlikely without a civil war, Serbia, the largest republic in size and population, would effectively become bankrupt, while Slovenia and Croatia would require billions of dollars of aid, to begin life with a clean balance sheet. It is far from certain whether western sympathies towards Slovenia and Croatia would extend that far.

Commercial banks, of course, will stay clear, having seen Yugoslav debt drop to 40 per cent of its original value. Nor would the crippled economies of an independent Slovenia and Croatia have any prospect of EC membership for a long time.

From an economic point of view, the worst option, for the federation, the individual republics and the West, is breaking up the union. Sadly, this option looks the most likely.

(In $ billion unless otherwise indicated)

	1989	1990	1991
GNP	129.5	120.4	101.6
GNP (% change)	-1.0	-7.0	-15.6
Hard currency reserves	7.5	7.4	*4.5
Hard currency debt	17.1	17.5	17.8

* Latest estimates. Note: 1991 data are estimates based on a "normal" political development. Source: PlanEcon Review, July.

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Whyte & Mackay favours taste of Invergordon blend

AS THE only independent small Scotch whisky producer with a quote, Invergordon Distillers has, in theory, been increasingly vulnerable to a bid since its flotation in May last year. Yet, curiously, the share price commanded no takeover premium.

So it was that, in pitching its 225p a share offer at a 38 per cent premium to Monday night's closing price, Whyte & Mackay appeared to have gone for a knockout bid. The impression did not linger. A market price of 255p and a delayed response from Invergordon echoed the sound of claymores being unsheathed.

Industrial logic abounds in plenty. The two companies could hardly fit more snugly; W&M with its brands and Invergordon with its value-for-money, own-label business. Together, they would produce maybe 10 per cent of Scotland's whisky, which would beef up the combined group's marketing power in a market increasingly dominated by big players, while Invergordon, with year-end gearing of 112 per cent, would clearly benefit from the financial muscle that W&M's parents can provide.

Invergordon appears to have gone along with some of this, having taken part in informal talks, since before its flotation, that might have led to an Invergordon bid for W&M, but the company was shocked by the W&M's unilateral public move.

Although unhappy about the price and its loss of independence, which values the business at 16.2 times its own broker's profit estimate for the current year, it was keeping its powder dry last night. Such a rating would win round many company boardrooms, but Invergordon's uniqueness and evident value to W&M alone justifies its opposition. The company will also be aware of W&M's inability to offer institutional investors a paper alternative. Await developments.

Platinum

PLATINUM, the noble metal that historically traded at a respectable premium to gold, has lost its crown. The metal, at $356.35 an ounce, has traded at a discount to gold for nearly two weeks, is at a five and a half year low, and is being loosely talked about as capable of substitution.

The mood has undermined Lonrho, whose pre-tax profits last year from mineral extraction and refining (embracing platinum and gold) at £99 million accounted for 36 per cent of profits, and left Johnson Matthey shares weaker. Lonrho, 277p in April, traded at 243½p yesterday, down 1½p, and JM was 5p off at 306p.

Rhodium, a constituent part in the mining of platinum group metals (pgms), is still valuable at $3,225 an ounce — but down from peak levels of $7,400 an ounce — and will help keep profits of platinum miners afloat. However, increased Russian exports of platinum to Switzerland, possibly for use in currency swap/loan deals, and of more mine developments in South Africa, has set the tide against the metal.

Japanese experiments that have enlivened the theory that platinum might be replaced by palladium in auto-catalysts, and fears that America's recession will drag on, have been further negatives.

America is planning sales of pgms from its strategic stockpile. Rustenburg, the world's largest pgms group, has reported net profits of R604 million (£124 million), against R551.3 million, and its final dividend of 225 cents makes 350 cents (310 cents).

In the short term, weak platinum prices will make the going heavy, though Rustenburg's sales to Japan between January and May were 23 per cent up on a year ago.

Meanwhile, Gencor's Impala group has taken a 38 per cent stake in Barplats Group and proposes a restructured operation at the Crocodile River mine. Barplats is making a R300 million rights call, but the good news is the new mining plan means fewer ounces of production than had been originally feared. Platinum will again have its day, but investors should wait for the metal to re-establish its premium to gold before rushing in.

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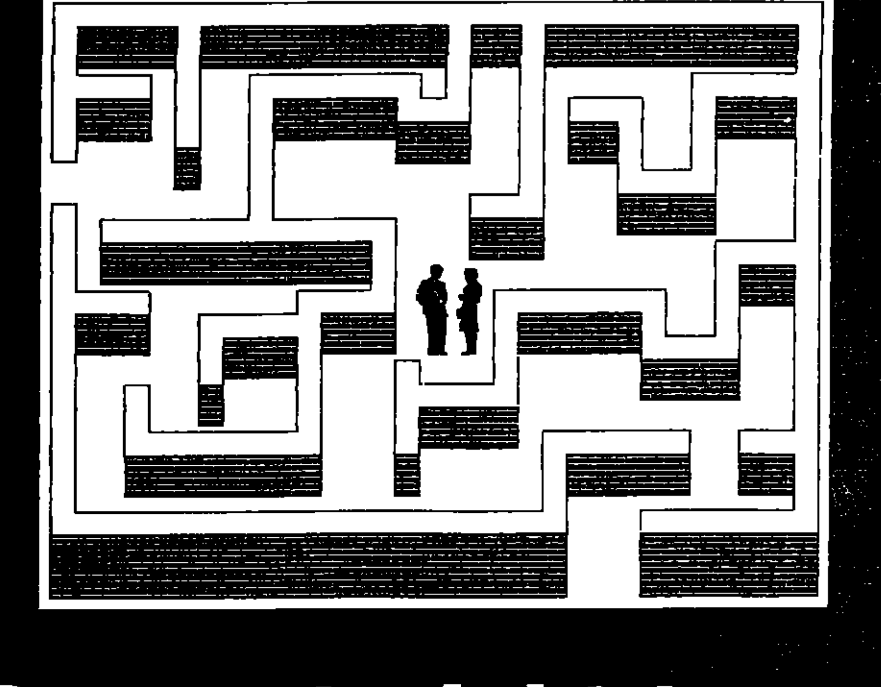

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Politics of finance

BARELY four months after swapping finance for politics, Richard Briance is returning to the Square Mile. Briance, the former head of gilts at CSFB, the securities trading arm of Credit Suisse, left in March to pursue his political ambitions. He is due to join UBS Phillips & Drew on October 1, where he will be reunited with David Benson, former head of arbitrage at CSFB, who will be performing a similar role at UBS. Briance, a Conservative councillor in the Royal Borough of Kensington and Chelsea since last year, steps into the shoes of John Lewis, who ran the debt and treasury division.

Lloyd's in law

FOR long-suffering Lloyd's names, the thought of spending yet more hard unearned income on their "investment" cannot be a pleasing one. However, they might ponder shelling out £35 for *Lloyd's Membership: A Law-and-Practice Guide for Names*. Richard Astor, an author and barrister, knocked out the tome on his word processor in three weeks when he realised that no layman's guide to the law of Lloyd's membership was available. "It is a scandalous omission that Lloyd's itself has never aimed to provide this," he says.

"You cannot see the manager — he's just become a substantial bad debt provision"

PANIC broke out at Cowes yesterday when David Allen, a partner of Rowe & Maw, the City solicitor, dropped his portable telephone while sailing and saw it disappear over the side. "He tried valiantly to save it," says an amused rival.

Fishing for growth

HARRY Ramsden's, the only quoted fish and chip group in Britain, is about to move into the Far East. The company has put in a bid for a site in Hong Kong, and hopes to roll into action soon. Richard Richardson, the marketing director, says: "We would like to use Hong Kong as a springboard for Far Eastern development." Sites in Singapore, Australia and New Zealand could follow. The company ran a promotion at Hong Kong airport last year, serving 5,000 people in five days.

Karting clash

WHAT have James Capel and Bankers Trust started? Their proposed "friendly" clash is turning into a jamboree for the Square Mile's go-karting fanatics. About 30 City firms have signed up for a go-karting race in Kent on September 21. Nick Panchaud, head of Capel's risk monitoring unit, and akeen karter, says: "We will be competing for the Square Mile trophy." He returned from a 24-hour karting meet in Le Mans last month where his team beat the best from Bankers Trust, triggering the latest challenge by Bankers Trust, which is eager to regain its honour.

JON ASHWORTH

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		Calls			Puts		
	Series	Oct	Jan	Apr	Oct	Jan	Apr
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(*579)	550	52	64	80	9	18	23
	600	23	37	52	32	39	45
ASDA	90	4½	9	10	7½	9	10
(*89)	100	2½	5½	6	15	16	18
	110	1	3½	-	25	25	-
Bass	880	67	-	-	15	-	-
(*909)	929	36	-	-	35	-	-
	977	17	-	-	70	-	-
Boots	360	62	66	-	2	5	-
(*411)	390	36	44	55	6½	13	14
	420	17	26	37	18	24	27
Br Airways	140	41	43	-	1½	2½	-
(*176)	160	23	27	31	4	6	8
	180	10½	15	21	12	14½	17
BP	330	20	27	32	6½	11	15
(*341)	360	7	12½	17	23	28	30
	390	2½	5½	-	52	53	-
Br Steel	110	14½	17	19	2	4	5½
(*120)	120	7½	10	13	4	8½	9
	130	3	5½	9	11½	14	15
C & W	500	89	102	-	4	7½	-
(*580)	550	48	65	81	12	19	23
	600	19	37	53	35	41	45
CU	460	73	87	-	2	6	-
(*530)	500	38	57	65	10	14	20
	550	14	28	37	36	40	42
Courtauld	390	60	67	79	3½	7	9½
(*434)	420	37	46	59	9½	16	19
	460	15	26	37	29	33	34
GKN	330	19	32	38	15	19	28
(*338)	360	8	17	22	34	40	44
	390	2	9½	12	63	65	66
Grand Met.	750	65	88	99	12½	27	32
(*784)	800	34	57	71	35	47	54
	850	16	36	49	68	77	83
ICI	1300	72	112	130	45	62	77
(*1335)	1350	46	84	103	73	89	100
	1400	30	64	82	109	120	130
Kingfisher	460	85	99	-	4	7	-
(*536)	500	52	68	81	10	16	20
	550	21	37	50	30	37	41
Ladbroke	240	35	39	45	4½	8	11
(*266)	260	19	27	33	11	15	19
	280	9	17	23	22	27	30
Land Sec	460	60	67	77	2½	6½	9
(*507)	500	27	38	47	10	18	22
	550	6	15	26	47	46	50
M & S	260	22	29	37	4½	8	9½
(*273)	280	11	17	25	14	17	18
	300	4½	9	16	29	31	32
Sainsbury	326	55	61	-	1½	5	-
(*372)	356	30	39	-	7	12	-
	386	12	22	-	22	26	-
Shell	460	75	80	85	3	5	7
(*528)	500	39	51	57	9	13	18
	550	9	21	29	36	38	43
Smkl Beech	750	58	80	98	15	24	29
(*781)	800	29	52	70	38	44	47
	850	12	33	47	75	76	78
Storehse	100	13	16	18	3	5½	7
(*109)	110	7	10½	14	7½	9½	11½
	120	3	6	9	14	16	18
Trafalgar	211	22	26	-	11	19	-
(*212)	231	11	16	-	24	32	-
	251	5½	9½	-	39	46	-
Ultramar	260	23	30	35	8	11	15
(*276)	280	12	21	23	20	21	25
	300	6	12	-	33	35	-
Unilever	650	132	-	-	2	-	-
(*765)	700	87	102	-	5	8	-
	750	48	66	81	17	23	31
	800	20	39	53	42	50	55
Utd Bisc	360	41	49	55	5½	9	14
(*389)	390	18	29	38	16	21	27
	420	6½	16	22	36	39	45
	Series	Aug	Nov	Feb	Aug	Nov	Feb
BAA	390	48	60	65	1	4½	9
(*432)	420	22	37	45	4½	13	18
	460	3½	16	25	29	32	37
BAT Ind	600	144	147	-	1	2	-
(*731)	650	95	100	117	1	5	9½
	700	45	60	82	4	17	23
	750	12	30	51	22	39	47
BTR	390	36	42	52	2½	8½	12
(*418)	420	10	23	34	9	21	25
	460	2	8	17	41	48	49
Br Aero	550	25	38	58	6	24	27
(*563)	600	5	18	33	40	50	55
	650	¾	6	17	90	92	95
Br Telecm	330	59	67	73	1	2	3½
(*386)	360	30	41	48	2	5½	9½
	390	8½	21	29	10	15½	21
Cadbury	360	14	27	37	6½	14	18
(*364)	390	3½	13	22	27	32	35
	420	1½	5½	-	57	58	-
Guinness	900	89	109	135	1½	12	20
(*981)	950	43	72	100	7	25	33
	1000	13	43	70	28	48	55
GEC	180	11	18	21	2	4	6
(*188)	200	1½	6½	10	13	15	17
	220	½	2½	4	33	33	33½
Hanson	200	11	19½	22	2	5½	10
(*208)	220	1½	8	11	13	15	21
	240	½	2½	4½	33	33	37
LASMO	300	32	44	54	1	7	9
(*328)	330	7	25	35	10	17	23
	360	2	12	21	35	40	41
P & O	500	83	88	99	1	6	10
(*578)	550	37	50	66	4½	18	26
	600	8	22	40	29	45	52
Pilkington	140	14	22	25	1½	5	7
(*150)	160	3	10½	15	11	15	17
	180	1	4½	8	30	30	32
Prudential	220	31	34	41	1	3	5
(*248)	240	14	21	28	2½	8½	11
	260	3	10	17	14	19	21

		Calls			Puts		
	Series	Aug	Nov	Feb	Aug	Nov	Feb
Racal	200	15	24	31	3	8	10½
(*213)	220	4½	13	20	12	18	21
	240	2	6½	11½	30	31	34
RTZ	550	40	55	73	3	13	18
(*581)	600	7	25	43	22	33	38
	650	1½	10	23	67	73	75
Scot New	360	59	70	75	1½	5	6
(*416)	390	30	44	50	2½	8½	15
	420	9	25	32	13	20	25
Tesco	253	28	-	-	1½	-	-
(*278)	280	6½	15	24	8	13	15
	300	1	7	14	24	26	28
Thames W.	350	22	35	43	2	5½	9
(*368)	370	7	22	28	10	14	18
	400	2	9	16	37	37	38
Lucas	130	10½	16	18	2½	7½	9½
(*137)	140	4	9	13	6½	12	15
	160	1	4	5½	26	28	30
	Series	Oct	Jan	Apr	Oct	Jan	Apr
Fisons	460	43	55	68	9	15	18
(*481)	500	18	33	44	27	33	37
	550	4½	15	25	70	71	72
	Series	Sep	Dec	Mar	Sep	Dec	Mar
Abbey Nat.	260	43	50	56	1½	3	5
(*300)	280	25	34	41	4	6½	10
	300	12	22	28½	12	15	18
Amstrad	45	11	12½	14	1½	3	4
(*53)	50	6½	9	11	3	5	6
	60	2½	4½	7	9	11	12
Barclays	420	40	53	63	5	9½	16
(*457)	460	13	29	40	22	28	34
	500	3½	13	22	55	55	58
Blue Circ	240	25	32	40	4½	9	13
(*261)	260	10½	20	29	14	19	22
	280	5	12	20	28	31	34
Br Gas	220	52	58	60	1	1½	2½
(*268)	240	33	40	43	1½	3	5
	260	15½	26	28	4½	7½	10½
	280	6	13	17	15	17	19
Dixons	220	27	35	41	3½	7½	10½
(*240)	240	13	23	29	10	15	19
	260	5	13	18	22	25	29
Eurotunnel	420	43	60	74	10	18	24
(*445)	460	19	37	52	29	37	42
	500	6	21	35	60	62	67
Forte	240	34	37	44	2	4	6
(*269)	260	16	21	30	5	10	11½
	280	6	12	18	16	21	21
Glaxo	1250	57	94	127	41	57	67
(*1263)	1300	32	69	102	67	82	92
	1350	16	50	79	105	115	120
Hawker	500	84	92	102	2½	8½	12
(*571)	550	43	55	72	12	22	27
	600	15	31	45	35	47	52
Hillsdown	200	32	38	43	1	4	5
(*227)	220	16	22	29	5½	9½	12
	240	6	12	19	16	20	23
	260	2	6½	-	35	35	-
Lonrho	240	15	25	27	6	11	17
(*244)	260	6	15	18	18	21	28
	280	2½	8	11	36	38	42
Midland	180	50	56	61	1½	2½	4
(*230)	200	31	41	48	3	5½	8½
	220	16	25	34	9	13	16
	240	7	16	20	19	22	25
Reuter	700	127	130	168	3½	12	19
(*805)	750	85	113	133	11	23	33
	800	46	80	102	27	42	54
	850	25	54	75	58	67	80
R-Royce	140	18	20	24	3	4½	7½
(*154)	160	4½	9	13½	10½	13½	17
	180	1½	3½	-	29	30	-
Sears	70	10½	12	13	1¼	2½	4½
(*79)	80	3½	6	8½	5½	7	8½
	90	1	2½	4½	13	14	15
Thorn EMI	650	128	140	151	1	6	8
(*768)	700	82	98	111	4	12	16
	750	42	63	80	14	28	33
	800	14	36	52	41	52	55
TSB	130	24	26	29	1½	2½	3½
(*155)	140	14	18	20½	2½	4	6½
	160	3	7	10	12	14	16
Vaal Reefs	60	10	14	15	2½	5	6
(*$67)	70	4½	8½	10½	7½	10	12
Wellcome	650	80	97	117	7½	16	25
(*711)	700	44	65	87	21	37	42
	750	20	40	62	50	62	67
	Series	Aug	Nov	Feb	Aug	Nov	Feb
Eastn Elec	160	14	22	25	2	5	8½
(*172)	180	3½	10	14	12	15	19
	200	1½	4½	7	31	31	32
	Series	Sep	Dec	Mar	Sep	Dec	Mar
Nat Power	130	21	23	24	2½	4	6
(*151)	140	12	14	16	4	6	9
	160	2½	5½	8	17	18	19
Scot Power	100	10½	14	-	2	4	-
(*107)	110	4	8½	-	6	7½	-
	120	2½	4½	-	15	16	-

FT-SE INDEX (*£2574)

	2400	2500	2550	2600	2650	2700
Calls						
Aug	144	95	55	25	9	3
Sep	170	127	87	58	35	19
Oct	188	148	113	82	53	39
Nov	210	171	136	106	79	57
Dec	-	192	-	126	-	76
Puts						
Aug	4	9	19	43½	80	125
Sep	12	21	34	56	91	131
Oct	22	34	48	67	98	133
Nov	30	40	56	76	102	135
Dec	-	53	-	90	-	145

August 6, 1991 Total: 15893 Calls 8630 Puts 7263 FT-SE: Calls 1348 Puts 2501

*Underlying security price.

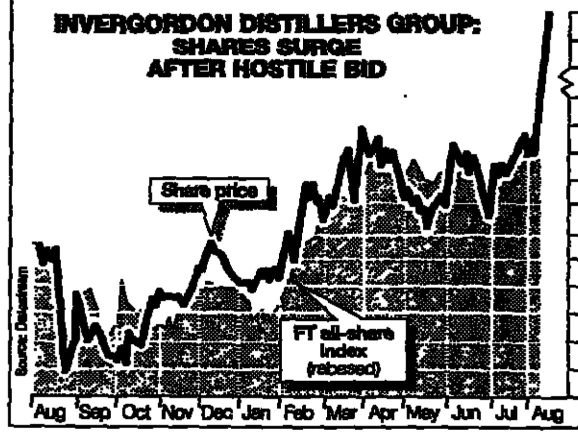
MAJOR INDICES

New York:
Dow Jones .... 2991.28 (+2.24)*
S&P Composite .... 386.69 (+1.63)*
Tokyo:
Nikkei Average ... 23464.96 (−368.29)
Hong Kong:
Hang Seng .... *4021.27 (−41.74)*
FT-SE Euro 100 .... 1105.49 (−5.14)
Amsterdam:
CBS Tendency .... 92.6 (−0.5)
Sydney: AO .... 1579.3 (+4.4)
Frankfurt: DAX ...... *1611.90 (−10.13)*
Brussels:
General .... 5738.70 (+6.35)
Paris: CAC .... *465.92 (−2.02)*
Zurich: SKA Gen .... 541.8 (−3.1)
London:
FT.—A All-Share .... 1229.31 (−5.77)
FT.— "500" .... 1361.66 (−6.89)
FT. Gold Mines .... *176.6 (−0.5)*
FT. Fixed Interest .... 94.45 (+0.44)
FT. Govt Secs .... 85.43 (−0.22)
Bargains 26377
SEAQ Volume 431.0m
USM (Datastream) ..... *124.58 (−0.24)*

*Denotes latest trading price

STOCK MARKET

Fresh talk of Hanson bid for ICI fails to stir prices


INVERGORDON DISTILLERS GROUP: SHARES SURGE AFTER HOSTILE BID

PRICES drifted lower in *thin* trading, while a weaker Wall Street did little to encourage investors who are eagerly awaiting signs of *an upturn in* the economy. Even renewed talk of an imminent bid from **Hanson** for ICI failed to excite the market. Shares in ICI, where Hanson holds a strategic 2.8 per cent stake, came off their best levels of the day to *close only 5p higher* at £13.33, with volume reaching 3.5 million shares. This followed reports that Hanson was meeting *institutional shareholders* in New York.

Hanson US said its parent continues to hold the ICI stake for "investment purposes". Hanson eased 1p to 208p, with 6.3 million shares traded.

Meanwhile, with the holiday season in full swing, equities continued to drifted lower, with little overseas inspiration following a 17-point overnight fall on Wall Street and 368-point slump in Tokyo, depressed by the broking scandal. Some profit-taking also dragged shares lower, while a poor start on Wall Street, with the Dow average nursing a 12-point deficit, did little to help sentiment.

The FT-SE 100 index ended *12.1 lower at 2,573.3. The FT* index of 30 shares fell 10.4 to 1,989.0. Volume, again depressed the thin conditions, remained at *a lowly* 430.3 million shares. Gilts ended £1/32 lower for the longer dated securities.

The wines and spirits sector received a boost after *Whyte* and Mackay, a subsidiary of Gallaher, owned by American Brands, launched a 225p a *share hostile bid for* **Invergordon Distillers**, the whisky distiller, valuing the group at £286 million. However, the market thought this was not enough and sensed the possibility of a tough bid battle ahead. Invergordon surged, closing 92p *higher* at 255p, providing a healthy 30p premium on the bid price.

The 225p bid, made by Kleinwort Benson, *represents* a substantial premium when compared with the 135p offer price when the Invergordon shares were *launched in May* 1990 after a management buyout in 1988. Invergordon rejected what it called an "inadequate" bid and urged shareholders to take no action.

Analysts were suggesting *that Whyte and Mackay* would have to bid in excess of 260p per share and, maybe more than £3 per share, to stand a chance of success.

Elsewhere in the sector, **Highland Distilleries** jumped by 27p to 296p in response, while **Macallan-Glenlivet**, *affected by the news that* Suntory, the Japanese whisky producer, had lifted its stake to 25.5 per cent, added 15p to 240p.

Meanwhile, the shares in **Fisons**, the drugs, scientific equipment and horticulture *group, slipped 9p to 481p.* There was some despondency that Tilade, the group's anti-asthma drug, is still waiting *for approval in the United* States.

Continued profit-taking after recent strength trimmed 14½p from the shares in in Glaxo which closed at £12.62½.

Better than expected interim figures from **National Westminster Bank**, showing a first-half pre-tax profit of £101 million (£431 million) and a *maintained* dividend, helped the shares close 6p higher at 335p.

Abbey lost 2p to 300p, ***Barclays*** *5p to 457p*, **Midland** 2p to 230p, **Royal Bank of Scotland** 1p to 185p and **Standard Chartered**, due to report today, 5p to 370p. ***Lloyds*** *was unchanged at 379*, while **TSB** benefited from switch advice on the back of brighter prospects for the second *half* and moved *5½p* higher to 155p on a turnover of 5.4 million shares.

Commercial Union, which *reports today and starts the* interim reporting season for the composite insurers, added 3p to 530p. Elsewhere, **General Accident** *slipped by 3p to* 563p, **Guardian Royal** 2p to 179p, **Royal Insurance** 4p to 406p and **Sun Alliance** eased 3p to 375p.

A buy recommendation from SG Warburg Securities *helped to lift shares in* **Hartstone Group**, the fast-growing handbags and hosiery business, by 2p to 207p.

Shares in **Arthur Lee & Sons**, the steel and plastics group which gave warning to shareholders of lower first-half profits earlier in the year, added 4p to 110p. There is talk in the market that the cash-positive **Carclo Engineering Group**, which has a 7.5 per cent stake in Lee, may be looking to increase its holding. GMF (Investments), part of *the GM Firth* steel stockholding group, has a 22.67 per cent stake in Lee. GM Firth was unchanged at 25p. Carclo held *steady at 129p.*

As the plantimum price continued to languish at a five-year low, the shares in ***Johnson Matthey*** fell 4p to 307p, while **Lonrho** eased 1½p to 243½p.

Shares in **Ratners Group**, the retail jeweller, *added 3½p* to 132½p on a volume of 4.1 million shares as some in the market focused on its recovery potential.

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Shares in Greenacre Group, the residential *healthcare and nursing home operator formerly known as Brewmaker*, were unchanged at 7p on the USM. The company, which raised a £7.5 million "war chest" last November, has called for the final instalment on its preference shares to raise £3.7 million. A number of deals are at an "advanced" stage.

Oliver slumps to £5.2m loss as recession bites deeper

By MATTHEW BOND

INTERIM results from The Oliver Group, the shoe retailer, have confirmed that the impact of the recession on the company is worsening. In the six months to end-June, the company slumped to a pre-tax loss of £5.2 million, after sales fell *16.8* per cent to £36.8 million. In the first half of last year, the company made a pre-tax loss of £1.4 million.

Ian Oliver, the chairman, admitted that *the trading loss* of £3.85 million was double what the board had budgeted for at the end of last year. He said the bigger than expected *loss* was caused by the recession, real increases in shop occupancy costs and higher value-added tax. He said: "Results have also been affected by the lack of stimulus of new fashion and unseasonal weather. *Like-for-like* sales in footwear have shown a decline of 12.5 per cent, a decline that could not have been foreseen at the beginning of the year."

Staffing levels have been reduced in line with the reduction in sales, saving £1 million in the first half and an expected £2 million in the second *half of the year*. Stock levels have also been cut.

In spite of the increased losses, the company is maintaining its interim dividend at *1.07p and is to reform its share* structure by enfranchising its non-voting A shares. As compensation, holders of the ordinary voting shares are to receive additional shares through a one-for-two scrip *issue*, although *these, new* shares will not qualify either for the interim dividend or for any final dividend that is paid.

After the equity restructuring, the *directors* and *other* members of the Oliver family, who before the restructuring held 60.7 per cent of the voting shares, will lose majority *control of the company*, with their stake falling to 40 per cent of the enlarged ordinary share capital.

The A shares rose 11p to 110p *in initial response* to the enfranchisement. The ordinary shares were unchanged at 175p.

Whessoe to pay $14m for US firm

WHESSOE, the pipework manufacturer and engineer, *is* buying Connex Pipe Systems, an American maker of piping systems, mainly for power generation plants, for almost $14 million.

The price will be equal to the audited value of the net assets being bought, estimated at $7 million at July 31, and premiums of $800,000 and $1 million in return for a non-competition agreement. Whessoe will also repay, at *completion*, $5.1 *million* of intra-group debt.

Pre-tax profits and Vectura interest and management charges at Connex, owned by the Vectura Group since 1988, amounted to $1.4 million on turnover of $57 million last year.

WORLD MARKETS

Tokyo falls 368 points as trading stays thin

Tokyo
SHARES slumped in *thin* trading. *The* Nikkei index dropped 368.29 points, or 1.55 per cent, to 23,464.96. Turnover was an estimated 160 million shares, *the same as* the *official* 160.53 million on Monday, the lowest levels since August 1984.

Weaker futures and higher money market rates pushed prices lower at the opening and they kept sliding as investors stayed inactive in case the special parliamentary session finds more wrongdoing in Japan's broking scandal.

☐ **New York** — Prices drifted lower in choppy, morning trading. The Dow Jones industrial average fell two points to 2,987.04.

☐ **Hong Kong** — Shares ended lower on speculative selling and profit-taking. The Hang Seng index fell 41.74 points to 4,021.27.

☐ **Sydney** — The market closed firmer. The all-ordinaries index closed at 1,579.3, up 4.4 points. *(Reuter)*

	Aug 6 midday	Aug 5 close		Aug 6 midday	Aug 5 close		Aug 6 midday	Aug 5 close
Abbott Lab	54½	54½	Enron	61½	60½	Oryx Enrgy	55½	55½
Aetna Life	36½	37½	Energy	24½	24½	Pac Ent	26½	27
Ahmanson	18	17½	Ethyl	25½	24½	Pac Gas Elec	28½	28½
Air Prods	65½	65½	Exxon	59½	58½	Pac Telesis	41½	42½
Albertsons	39½	39½	Fed NMA	57½	57½	Paccar	46½	48½
Alcan Al	20½	20½	Fedrl Expre	40½	39½	Pacificorp	21½	21½
Alco Stand	33½	33½	Flt Norstar	28½	24½	Pall	36½	35½
Allied Signal	35½	35	Fluor	43½	43½	Paramount	39½	39½
Alumin CA	67½	67½	FMC	46½	46½	Parker-Hanfn	28½	28½
Am Brands	42½	42½	Ford Motor	32	32	Penney	49	48½
Am Cyanmd	64½	64½	FPL	32½	31½	Pennzoil	73½	72½
Am EPC	29½	29½	Fst Chicago	25½	25½	Pepsico	31½	31½
Am General	39½	39½	Fst Intrstn	26½	26½	Pfizer	63½	62½
Am Home	62½	62½	Fst Union	24½	24½	Phlps Pet	29½	29½
Am Intl	66½	66½	Gannett	45½	44½	Philips Elec	20½	20½
Am Stores	41½	41½	GAP	55½	54½	Philip Morris	70	69½
Amax	21½	21½	Gen Cinema	22½	22½	Phelps Dodge	69½	69½
Amer Hess	54½	55½	Gen Elec	72½	72	Pitney Bow	60½	59½
Ameritech	60½	59½	Gen Mills	62½	61½	Placer Dm	12½	12½
Amex	26½	26	Gen Motors	40½	40	PNC Fncl	40	40
Amoco	53	52½	Gen RE	89½	89½	Potmc Eltn	12½	12½
AMP	62½	61½	Gen Signal	44½	44½	Polaroid	25½	25½
AMR	61½	61½	Genuine Pts	42	42½	PPG Inds	55½	56½
Anheuser-B	51½	50½	Georgia-Pac	54½	54½	Proctr Gmble	81½	81½
Apple Comp	49½	48½	Gillette	40	40½	Price	53	52½
Archer-Dan	24½	24½	Goodrich	43½	44½	Primerica	31½	31½
Arkla	18½	18½	Goodyear	37½	37½	Pub Service	27½	27½
Armco	4½	4½	Grace	37½	36½	Quaker Oats	60½	60½
Armstrong	31	30½	Greyhound	34½	34½	Ralston Pur	49½	48½
Asarco	25½	25½	Gt Atlantic	42½	42½	Raychem	29½	29½
Ashland Oil	30½	30½	Gt Western	19½	18½	Raytheon	83½	84½
AT&T	39½	39½	GTE	29½	29½	Reebok	29½	28½
Atlan Richfld	121	120½	Halibrtn	39½	39½	Roadway	61½	62
Auto DP	33½	33	Heinz	36½	36½	Rockwell	27½	27½
Avery Denn	23½	24	Hercules	41½	41½	Rohm Haas	45½	44½
Avon Prod	46½	46	Hershey Fd	41½	41½	Royal Dutch	83	82½
Baltimore	30½	30½	Hewlett Pkd	54½	55	Rubbermaid	58½	58½
Banc One	44½	43½	Hilton Htl	41½	41½	Rynlds Mtl	59½	59½
Bankamerica	35½	34½	Home Depot	48½	48	Safeco	39½	39½
Bard	25	24½	Homestake	16½	16½	Salomon	36½	36
Barnett Bk	30½	30½	Honeywell	57½	58½	Sant Fe Pac	9½	9½
Bausch Lmb	46	45½	Houston Ind	38½	38½	Sara Lee	43½	43½
Baxter Intl	35½	34½	Hsehld Intl	52½	52½	Schecorp	42½	42½
Bec Dickn	66½	66½	Humana	33	33½	Schlmbgr	70½	69½
Bell Atlan	46	46½	IBM	100	101	Schrg-Plgh	64	63½
Bellsouth	47½	47½	IFF	80½	79½	Scott Papr	40½	40
Bthr Hughes	26½	26	Illnois TW	59½	59½	Seagram	108½	107½
Black Decker	15½	15½	Inco	35½	35½	Sears Rbk	40½	40½
Block	59	58½	Ingsol-Rand	51½	50½	Secrty Pac	22½	22½
Bnkrs Tst NY	58	57½	Inland Steel	21½	22	Sherwn-Wlms	24½	24½
Boeing	45½	45½	Intel	50½	48½	Skyline	15½	15½
Boise Casc	25	24½	Intl Paper	67½	67½	Snap-on Tls	33½	33½
Borden	34½	34	ITT	58½	57½	Southern	27½	27½
Brist-Myer	85½	84½	James River	24½	24½	St Paul	63½	62½
Browng-Fer	27½	26½	Johnsn Jhsn	91½	91½	Stanley Wk	42	41½
Burl Nth	30	29½	K Mart	44½	44½	Stone Cntr	19½	19½
CAI	9	9	Kellogg	106½	106½	Sun Co.	31	29½
Campbell Sp	80½	79½	Kerr-McGee	41½	41½	Suntst Bk	32½	31½
Cap Cities	459½	461½	Kmbly-Clrk	95½	94½	Super Valu	28½	29½
Capital HC	46	46½	Knght-Rddr	51½	50½	SW Bell	54½	54½
Carolina	47½	47½	Lilly	78½	78½	Syntex	42½	42½
Caterpiller	48½	48½	Limited	30½	30	Sysco	46½	45½
CBS	164	164½	Lin Brdcstg	69	69½	Tandem	12½	12
Central SW	46½	46½	Lincln Nat	46½	45½	Tandy	35½	35½
Champion	27½	27½	Litton Ind	83½	82½	Tele-comm	13½	14
Chase Man	19	18½	Lockheed	45½	45½	Teledyne	19	18½
Chem Bnkg	25½	26½	Louis-Pac	41½	41½	Temple-In	46	46
Chevron	71½	71½	Mnfrs Hano	29½	29½	Tenneco	36½	36
Chrysler	13	13½	Marriott	17½	17½	Texaco	63½	63½
Chubb	72½	72½	Marsh Mclen	77½	77	Texas Inst	33	33½
Cigna	46½	46½	Martin Mar	65½	65½	Texas Util	37	37
Citicorp	14½	14½	Masco	22½	22½	Textron	35½	35½
Clorne Liz	42½	43½	May Dept	54½	54½	Time Wrnr	85½	84½
Clorox	40	39½	Maytag	15½	15½	Times Mirr	30½	29½
Cmwlth Edis	37½	37½	McDnl Doug	55½	54	Timken	28	27½
CNA Fincl	80	78½	McDonalds	31½	31½	Torchmark	50½	50½
Coastal	31½	31½	McGraw-Hill	55½	55½	Toys R Us	31½	31½
Coca-Cola	63	62½	MCI Com	28½	27½	Trnsamrca	32½	32½
Colgate-Pal	39½	39½	Mead	33½	34	Travelers	19½	18½
Columb Gas	15	14½	Medtronic	126½	125	Tribune	44½	44½
Compaq	36½	35½	Mellon Bk	32½	32½	TRW	44½	44½
Conagra	44½	44	Melville	46½	46	Tyco Lab	43	42½
Cons Edis	25½	25½	Merck	120½	120½	UAL	142½	142½
Cons NG	35½	35½	Merll Lynch	41	41	Un Camp	43½	44½
Cons Rail	69½	69	Minnesota	86½	86½	Un Carbide	21	20½
Cooper Ind	53½	52½	Mobil	67½	67½	Un Pacific	66	66½
Corning	65½	64½	Monsanto	70½	70½	Unilever	83½	83½
CPC Intl	86½	86	Moore	25½	25½	Unisys	3½	3½
Crown Cork	85½	84½	Morgan JP	51½	51½	Unocal	25½	25½
CSX	48½	48½	Motorola	65½	65½	Upjohn	45½	46
Dana	32½	32½	Nat Medical	46½	45½	US Life	41½	41
Dayton-Hud	66½	66½	Nat Semi	6	6	US West	36½	36½
Deere	48½	49	Nat Service	24½	24½	Usair Gp	12½	12½
Delta Air	74	74½	Navistar	3½	3	USF&G	7½	7
Deluxe	46½	45½	NCNB	34½	34½	UST	46½	46½
Detroit Ed	30½	29½	NCR	106½	106½	USX Mar	28½	27½
Digital Eq	66½	66½	NBD Bncp	40½	40½	Utd Tech	45½	45½
Dillard	124½	124½	Newmnt Min	37½	37½	Utd Telcm	26½	26½
Disney	118½	119½	Niagr Mhwk	16½	16½	VF	29	28½
Dominion	49½	49½	Nike	42½	43½	Wal-Mart	47½	47½
Donnelley	45½	46	NL Indstrs	15	15½	Waste Mgmt	37½	37½
Dover	36½	37½	Nordstorm	45	45½	Wells Fargo	68½	69
Dow Chem	54½	54	Norflk Sthn	49½	48½	Westg Elec	25½	25½
Dow Jones	25½	25½	Norwest	28½	29½	Weyerhsr	27½	28
Dresser Ind	21½	21½	Nthn St Pwr	35½	36	Whirlpool	36½	36½
Du Pont	48½	47½	Nthn Telcm	38	37½	Whitman	13½	13½
Duke Pwr	29½	29½	NY Times	22½	21½	Winn-Dixie	36	35½
Dun Bradst	46½	46	Nynex	73½	73½	Woolworth	29½	29½
East Kodak	40½	40½	Occid Petrl	25	24½	Wrigley	61½	61½
Eaton	63½	63½	Ohio Ed	19	19	Wrner-Lamb	66½	66½
Emerson El	46	45½	Oracle Sys	9½	9½	Xerox	55	54½

TRADITIONAL OPTIONS

First Dealings	Last Dealings	Last Declaration	For Settlement
August 5	August 16	November 7	November 18

Call options were taken out on: 6/8/91 Berisford Intl, Control Secs, Costain, Drayton Cons, Thames TV.
Puts: Brent Chemicals, Ratners.
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More Japanese brokers fined

Tokyo
THE Japan Securities Dealers Association (JSDA) has fined 13 small and medium brokers between Y3 million (£12,900) and Y5 million each for unlawfully compensating favoured clients for investment losses.

The brokers were also ordered to improve their internal controls and rules and report back on the changes they have made.

The discovery that a number of Japanese brokers improperly compensated clients for huge investment losses on top of other financial scandals has fuelled speculation that Ryutaro Hashimoto, the Japanese finance minister, might have to resign.

New Japan Securities, Kankaku Securities, Kokusai Securities, Wako Securities, Sanyo Securities, Tokyo Securities and *Dai-Ichi* Securities, having each paid out more than Y1 billion in compensation, were each fined Y5 million. *Okasan* Securities, *Taiheiyo* Securities, Toyo Securities, Marusan Securities, Yamatane Securities, and Mito *Securities, were each fined* Y3 million, having paid less than Y1 billion in compensation.

The 13 brokers compensated 380 institutions and six individuals for Y43.7 billion in the 30 months to March 1990, according to figures released by the JSDA.

The association fined the big four brokerages on July 10, with Daiwa Securities and Yamaichi Securities paying Y5 million each, and Nomura Securities and Nikko Securities paying Y10 million each for also having links to criminals.

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FT-SE 100 VOLUMES

	Vol '000		Vol '000		Vol '000		Vol '000
Abbey Nat	2,507	Cadbury	1,643	Lonrho	888	Royal Bank	898
Alld-Lyons	1,386	CU	290	Lucas	1,171	Royal Ins	2,008
Anglian	578	Courtaulds	292	M&S	2,187	Sainsbury	720
ASDA	1,887	Enterprise	163	Maxwell Cm	609	Scot & N	815
AB Foods	240	*Eurotunnel*	184	*MEPC*	132	*Scot Power*	3,195
Argyll	2,097	Fisons	1,367	Midland	2,886	Sears	2,244
Arjo Wigg	1,292	*Forte*	734	*Nat Power*	5,865	Severn Trnt	1,332
BAA	286	Gen Acc	763	Nat West	12,200	Shell	3,283
BET	2,121	GEC	3,912	N W Water	1,857	Smith & N	1,379
BTR	2,949	Glaxo	2,296	P&O	774	SK Beech	2,084
BAT	3,113	Grand Met	2,803	Pearson	142	Sun Allnce	2,667
Barclays	3,093	GUS 'A'	104	Pilkington	3,236	Tarmac	1,763
Bass	1,219	GRE	3,463	PowerGen	3,867	Tate Lyle	1,147
BICC	186	Guinness	1,328	Prudential	4,410	TSB	5,409
Bk Scotlnd	682	Hanson	6,312	Racal	2,378	Tesco	1,444
Blue Circle	795	Hawker	188	Rank	432	Thames Wtr	827
BOC	1,567	Hillsdown	2,705	R&C	312	Thorn EMI	398
Boots	845	ICI	3,523	Redland	689	Trafalgar	2,917
Br Aero	1,168	Inchcape	963	Reed	1,125	Ultramar	1,469
Br Airways	3,420	*Kingfisher*	393	Rentokil	11	Unilever	780
Br Gas	16,665	Lasmo	292	Reuters	592	United Bis	295
Br Petrol	2,102	Ladbroke	849	*RMC Gp*	110	Wellcome	812
Br Steel	5,145	Land Sec	306	RTZ	919	Whitbrd	257
Br Telecm	5,757	L&G	186	R-Royce	1,646	Williams	839
C&W	1,025	Lloyds	2,107	Rothmans 'B'	72	Willis Cor	202

RECENT ISSUES

EQUITIES

Aberforth Smlr (100p)	119
Aberforth Split (100p)	104 +1
Alliance Res	22
Brabant Res (155p)	112
Capital Ventures	105
Claremont Gmts	172
Contra-Cyclical (100p)	*105 +1*
Culver Hldgs	7½ +½
Drayton Blue Chip (100p)	*101 −1*
EFM Inc Tst (65p)	68
Eidos	38
East Germany Inv (100p)	108
Elonbrook	68
Eurocamp	240
Gartmore Inc	107
Geared Inc (100p)	104 −1
Greencore	230
Greenwich Res	18
Headline Book (100p)	123
Lowndes Lambert	*308 −2*
Manchester Utd (385p)	287 −2
Mirror Group (125p)	105
Moorgate Smlr Cos (100p)	105
Oryx Gold	256 −25
Smaller Inv Tst (500p)	63 +1
Sterling Tst	45
Tollgate	90
Trio Inv Tst (50p)	38
US Smaller	*102*
Unichem	165

● *See main prices page for Electricity shares*

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Alan Paul N/P	1½
Burton Gp N/P	¾ −¾
Dean & Bowes N/P	¾
Explaura N/P	½
Hemingway N/P	2 −½
Howden N/P	11½ +1
JLI Group N/P	16½
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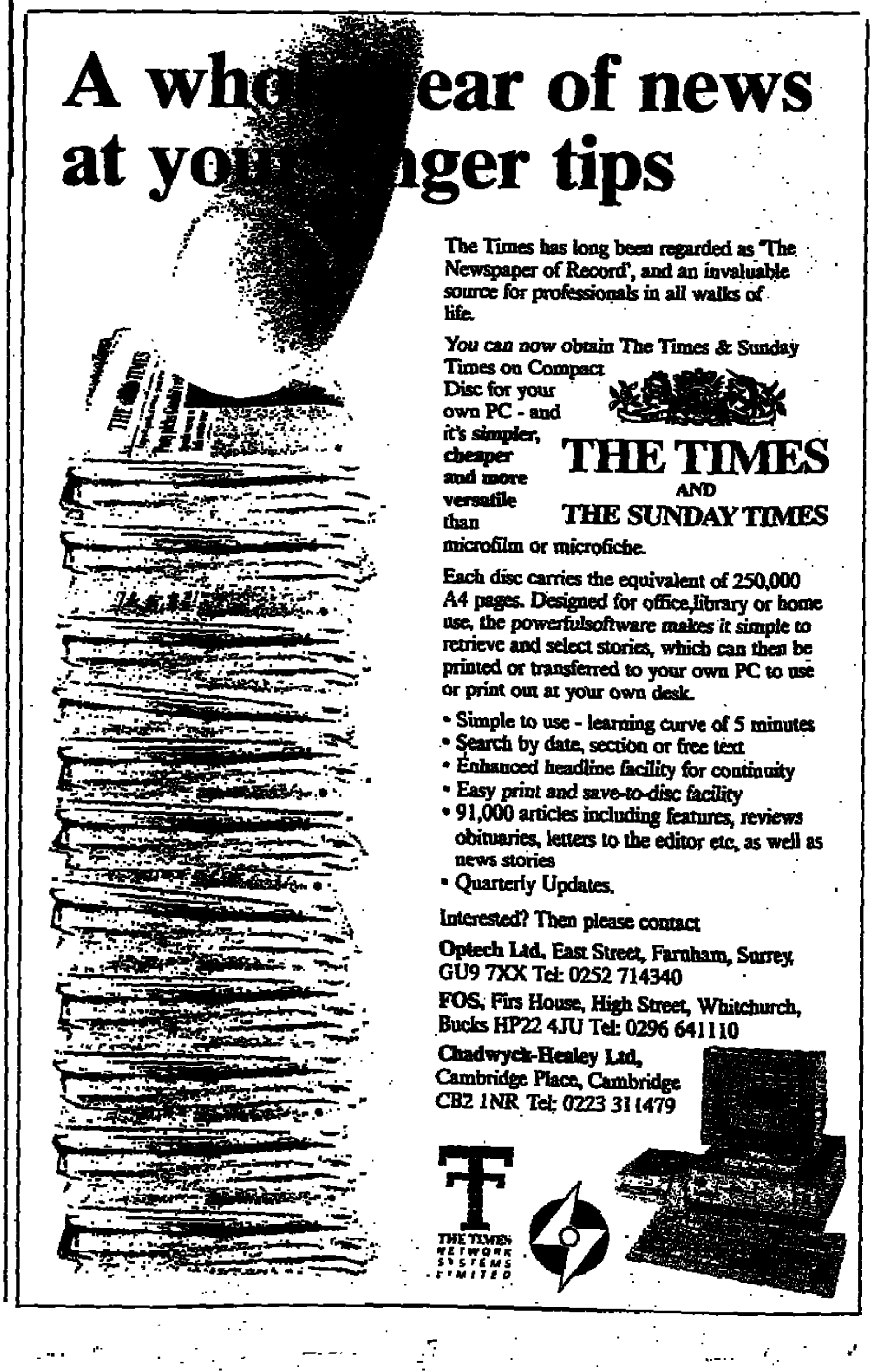
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No.	Company	Group	Gain or loss
1	Steetley	Building,Roads	
2	Oceonics	Electricals	
3	CRT Gp	Textiles	
4	North West	Water	
5	Travis Perkins	Building,Roads	
6	Telfos	Industrials S-Z	
7	BM Gp	Industrials A-D	
8	Bowater	Industrials A-D	
9	Provident	Banks,Discount	
10	Admiral	Electricals	
11	Lee (Arthur)	Industrials L-R	
12	Yorkshire Chem	Chemicals,Plas	
13	ERF	Motors,Aircraft	
14	Oil Search	Oil,Gas	
15	Douglas (RM)	Building,Roads	
16	Howden	Industrials E-K	
17	Eurotunnel Units	Transport	
18	Davis Service	Industrials A-D	
19	Hartstone	Drapery,Stores	
20	Kleinwort Benson	Banks,Discount	
21	Glynwed	Industrials E-K	
22	Bulmer (H P)	Breweries	
23	Wyndham Eng	Industrials S-Z	
24	Concentric	Industrials A-D	
25	AAH	Industrials A-D	
26	Star Comp	Industrials S-Z	
27	*Tiphook*	*Transport*	
28	Wace	Paper,Print,Adv	
29	Hambro Countrywd	Property	
30	Vinten	Industrials S-Z	
31	British Gas	Oil,Gas	
32	Ash & Lacy	Industrials A-D	
33	Lex Service	Motors,Aircraft	
34	Scholes Grp	Electricals	
35	Westpac	Banks,Discount	
36	Cable Wireless	Electricals	
37	Wickes	Drapery,Stores	
38	Smthkl Beech	Industrials S-Z	
39	Abbey	Building,Roads	
40	Avon Rubber	Industrials A-D	
41	Waddington (J)	Paper,Print,Adv	
42	Hunter Saphir	Foods	
43	Tex Hldgs	Industrials S-Z	
44	BT	Electricals	
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1991 High	Low	Company	Price Bid	Offer	Ch'nge	Gross div p	Yld %	P/E
912	380	Provident	443	450	+8	31.3	7.0	9.7
45	24	Rea Bros	22	35	–	0.7	2.1	87.1
211	147	Ryl Bk Scot	183	186	-1	11.2	6.1	8.7
965	849	Schroders	875	880	+23	18.7	2.1	17.8
419	286	Stand Chart	368	372	-6	26.7	7.2	20.3
165	124	TSB	154	156	+5¼	8.6	5.5	12.7
580	285	Union Disc	300	305●	-14	46.7	15.4	11.8
497	314	Warburg SG	485	490	–	21.3	4.3	12.3
173	109	Do 6% 'A'	171	174	+1	8.0	4.6	–
38	25	Wells Fargo	40¼		+¼	–	–	–
222	138	Westpac	212	216	+1	–	–	–
363	286	Westrust	305	320	–	12.4	4.0	11.4

BREWERIES

1991 High	Low	Company	Price Bid	Offer	Ch'nge	Gross div p	Yld %	P/E
594	480	Allied-Lyons	578	580	-4	25.1	4.3	21.9
10⅛	882	Bass	905	913	-8	44.4	4.9	9.4
175	134	Boddingtons	160	165	-1	8.0	4.9	12.5
255	178	Bulmer (H P)	248	253●	+1	11.1	4.4	15.6
149	105	Burtonwood Brew	116	117●	–	5.7	5.0	17.4
245	135	Devenish (JA)	199	205	–	7.3	3.6	14.9
88	61	Fosters Brewing Gp	80	82	–	–	–	–
839	623	Grand Met	783	787●	-3	28.3	3.6	14.2
388	274	Greenall	337	342	-2	13.9	4.1	13.1
454	374	Greene King	448	455●	–	14.4	3.2	11.8
10	717	Guinness	976	982	-3	25.0	2.6	15.4
10	[illegible]	Hardys & Hansons	10	10⅛●	–	47.8	4.7	12.4
305	225	Highland Dist	293	298	+27	6.6	2.2	22.5
255	128	Invergordon Dist	252	257	+82	6.7	2.6	21.0
455	420	Mansfield	440	450●	–	16.1	3.6	12.3
218	185	Marston Thompson	198	203●	–	6.8	3.0	14.4
410	357	Matthew Clark	385	390	–	18.7	4.6	13.3
385	283	Morland	305	315 r	–	8.9	2.9	15.7
10⅛	558	SA Breweries	10⅛	10⅛	–	–	–	–
422	336	Scot & New	414	418●	–	20.8	4.9	12.2
254	174	Vaux Group	215	220	–	11.8	5.4	11.3
514	409	Whitbread 'A'	497	500	-1	21.7	4.3	12.5
19⅛	13	Do 'B'	13	13¼	–	21.7	1.6	33.5
528	368	Wolverhampton & D	518	523	-1	12.9	2.5	14.7
470	388	Young 'A'	455	470	–	17.3	3.7	17.2

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1991 High	Low	Company	Price Bid	Offer	Ch'nge	Gross div p	Yld %	P/E
82	25	Exp Comp Louisiana	23	27	-1	–	–	–
98	68	Goal Pet	64	67	–	1.5	2.3	15.6
145	55	Gt Western Res	55	63	–	5.5	9.3	–
23⅝	15¾	Hamilton	22⅝	23	–	–	–	–
215	155	Hardy O & G	183	188	–	–	–	10.2
17¼	14⅛	Kelt Energy	14	16	-1	–	–	–
387	312	LASMO	328	330	-2	11.5	3.5	16.9
185	180	Do Units	180	180	-3	34.8	20.5	–
45	29⅝	Monument	41⅛	41¾	–	–	–	24.8
30	11	New London	14⅛	16⅛	-⅛	–	–	–
32⅝	28	Nth Sea Assets	29	30	-⅛	–	–	14.0
31	30	Oil Search	30	32	+1	–	–	–
48	27	Petrocon	33	37	–	1.7	4.9	9.2
13	6	Petroz	8	10	–	–	–	–
58	41	Premier	45	47	–	–	–	21.2

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WATER

1991 High	Low	Company	Price Bid	Offer	Ch'nge	Gross div p	Yld %	P/E
383	281	Anglian Water	357	360●	-3	23.3	6.5	7.6
395	258	Northumbrian	355	360●	-4	24.6	6.9	5.5
390	251	North West	382	385●	+2	24.0	6.6	5.8
349	226	Severn Trent	323	328●	-2	23.4	7.2	5.1
349	221	Sthrn Water	310	316●	-3	23.6	7.5	5.9
398	236	South West	331	337●	-1	26.7	8.0	5.1
384	259	Thames Water	386	389●	-2	23.3	6.3	7.9
387	269	Welsh Water	355	360●	-3	26.0	7.3	4.4
387	295	Wessex Water	372	377●	-1	23.6	6.3	8.4
401	264	Yorkshire Water	368	373●	-3	23.6	6.4	7.1

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Intl	63.01	67.03	-0.85	1.31
Div/Gth	49.57	52.73●	-0.21	5.59
Global Gth Sec	51.98	55.29	-0.07	1.81
Ethical	50.48	53.98	-0.23	3.13
High Inc Equity	136.7	145.4●	-0.6	5.55
W'wide Bond	202.9	215.4●	-1.2	8.96
Gilt/Fixed	114.5	121.8	+0.2	9.46

UNLISTED SECURITIES

MONEY MARKETS

Exchange index compared with 1985 was down at 91.1 (day's range 91.0-91.3).

STERLING SPOT AND FORWARD RATES

Mkt Rates for Aug 6	Range	Close	1 month	3 month
Amsterdam	3.2934-3.3138	3.3032-3.3068	½-⅜pr	1¼-1⅛pr
Brussels	60.23-60.59	60.24-60.45	12-7pr	24-17pr
Copenhagen	11.3118-11.4017	11.3421-11.3659	1⅞-1⅝pr	4¼-3⅞pr
Dublin	1.0968-1.1011	1.0968-1.0978	15-10pr	28-18pr
Frankfurt	2.9232-2.9412	2.9292-2.9327	½-⅜pr	1⅛-1pr
Lisbon	249.84-252.24	250.56-251.57	119-147ds	266-321ds
Madrid	182.75-184.32	183.22-183.84	24-30ds	73-83ds
Milan	2190.29-2201.21	2190.29-2195.00	8-17ds	40-50ds
Montreal	1.9620-1.9715	1.9643-1.9680	0.43-0.37pr	0.77-0.70pr
New York	1.7095-1.7155	1.7115-1.7125	0.76-0.74pr	2.10-2.08pr
Oslo	11.4160-11.4906	11.4431-11.4669	1¼-⅝pr	2⅝-1⅞pr
Paris	9.9510-10.0022	9.9626-9.9770	1⅛-⅞pr	2⅝-2⅜pr
Stockholm	10.6092-10.6840	10.6404-10.6637	⅝-⅛pr	⅛pr-⅝ds
Tokyo	232.16-234.42	232.16-232.47	⅞-⅝pr	2⅛-1⅞pr
Vienna	20.5516-20.6826	20.6116-20.6408	3⅛-2⅞pr	8⅛-8⅜ds
Zurich	2.5623-2.5818	2.5578-2.5610	⅞-⅝pr	1⅞-1⅝pr

Source: Extel *Premium = pr. Discount = ds.*

OTHER STERLING RATES

Argentina austral*	16962.3-16969.3
Australia dollar	2.1873-2.1907
Bahrain dinar	0.642-0.650
Brazil cruzeiro *	605.19-606.07
Cyprus pound	0.808-0.813
Finland marka	7.025-7.065
Greece drachma	322.90-326.10
Hong Kong dollar	13.2917-13.3013
India rupee	43.57-43.97
Kuwait dinar KD	n/a
Malaysia ringgit	4.7465-4.7511
Mexico peso	5180-5280
New Zealand dollar	2.9739-2.9809
Saudi Arabia riyal	6.3875-6.4675
Singapore dollar	2.9518-2.9553
S Africa rand (fin)	5.4823-5.5750
S Africa rand (com)	4.8626-4.8707
U A E dirham	6.2525-6.3325

*Barclays Bank GTS * Lloyds Bank.*

DOLLAR SPOT RATES

Australia	1.2773-1.2784
Austria	12.03-12.05
Belgium (Com)	35.22-35.28
Canada	1.1481-1.1486
Denmark	6.6300-6.6350
France	5.8140-5.8190
Germany	1.7090-1.7100
Hong Kong	7.7615-7.7625
Ireland	1.5615-1.5630
Italy	1280.0-1281.0
Japan	136.25-136.35
Malaysia	2.7717-2.7727
Netherlands	1.9270-1.9280
Norway	6.6875-6.6925
Portugal	146.80-147.00
Singapore	1.7237-1.7247
Spain	107.15-107.25
Sweden	6.2150-6.2200
Switzerland	1.4905-1.4912

ECGD: Fixed Rate Sterling Export Finance. Make-up day: July 31, 1991 Agreed rates Aug 26, 1991 to Sept 24, 1991 Scheme I: 12.31%. Schemes II & III: 12.38%. Reference rate June 29, 1991 to July 31, 1991 Scheme IV & V: 11.188%.

MONEY RATES (%)

Base Rates: Clearing Banks 11 Finance Hse 11½
Discount Market Loans: O/night high: 11¼ Low 10 Week fixed: 10⅞
Treasury Bills (Dis):Buy: 2 mth 10^{9}_{16} ; 3 mth 10^{9}_{16} . Sell: 2 mth 10^{17}_{32}; 3 mth: 10^{9}_{16} .

	1 mth	2 mth	3 mth	6 mth	12 mth
Prime Bank Bills (Dis):	10^{23}_{32}-$^{11}_{16}$	10¾-10^{9}_{16}	10¾-10^{7}_{16}	10^{9}_{16}-10⅜	
Sterling Money Rates:	10^{31}_{32}-$^{15}_{16}$	11-10^{15}_{16}	10^{31}_{32}-10⅞	10^{13}_{16}-10⅝	10⅝-10⅜
Interbank:	11^{1}_{32}-11	11-10^{31}_{32}	10^{31}_{32}-10⅞	10^{13}_{16}-10⅝	10⅝-10^{11}_{16}
(Overnight: open 11⅛, close 11¼.					
Local Authority Deps:	11	n/a	11	10^{13}_{16}	10⅝
Sterling CDs:	10^{31}_{32}-$^{29}_{32}$	11-10^{15}_{16}	10⅞-10¾	10^{11}_{16}-$^{9}_{16}$	10⅝-10½
Dollar CDs:	5.83-5.78	5.85-5.80	5.85-5.80	6.07-6.02	6.33-6.28
Building Society CDs:	11-10^{15}_{16}	11-10^{15}_{16}	10^{15}_{16}-10⅞	10¾-10^{11}_{16}	10^{21}_{32}-$^{9}_{16}$

EUROPEAN MONEY DEPOSITS (%)

Currency	7 day	1 mth	3 mth	6 mth	Call
Dollar:	5^{13}_{16}-5^{9}_{16}	5⅞-5^{11}_{16}	5^{15}_{16}-5⅞	6⅛-5^{15}_{16}	5⅝-5
Deutschemark:	8^{15}_{16}-$^{11}_{16}$	9-8^{13}_{16}	9¼-9⅛	9^{7}_{16}-9^{5}_{16}	8½-7¾
French Franc:	9⅝-9⅜	9⅝-9⅜	9⅝-9⅜	9^{11}_{16}-9^{9}_{16}	9¼-8⅞
Swiss Franc:	7^{15}_{16}-7^{13}_{16}	7^{11}_{16}-7⅞	7^{13}_{16}-$^{11}_{16}$	7^{13}_{16}-$^{11}_{16}$	7-6½
Yen:	7⅜-7⅛	7⅜-7⅛	7^{5}_{16}-7^{3}_{16}	7¼-7⅛	7⅛-6⅝

GOLD AND PRECIOUS METALS *(Baird & Co)*

Bullion: Open $357.10-357.60 Close: $357.30-357.80 High: $357.40-357.90 Low: $356.90-357.40 Krugerrand: $356.75-357.75 (£207.75-208.75)
Sovereigns: Old $83.75-84.75 (£48.75-49.75) New $83.50-84.50 (£48.50-49.50)
Platinum: $356.35 (£208.15) Silver: $3.97 (£2.306) Palladium: $86.50 (£50.55)

LONDON FINANCIAL FUTURES

	Period	Open	High	Low	Close	Volume
FT-SE 100 Previous open interest: 37604	Sep 91	2610.0	2620.0	2603.0	2606.0	3756
	Dec 91	2651.0	2651.0	2647.5	2649.5	40
	Mar 92				2689.0	0
Three Month Sterling Previous open interest: 136999	Sep 91	89.29	89.32	89.22	89.23	11919
	Dec 91	89.77	89.81	89.72	89.73	8468
	Mar 92	90.00	90.02	89.96	89.96	1794
Three Month Eurodollar Previous open interest: 29781	Sep 91	94.03	94.03	94.00	94.02	1602
	Dec 91	93.66	93.67	93.64	93.67	466
Three Month Euro DM Previous open interest: 120290	Sep 91	90.63	90.71	90.62	90.66	7458
	Dec 91	90.64	90.72	90.63	90.66	10050
US Treasury Bond Previous open interest: 3728	Sep 91	96-02	96-05	95-30	95-04	695
	Dec 91				95-12	0
Long Gilt Previous open interest: 42609	Sep 91	93-13	93-18	93-04	93-09	23698
	Dec 91	93-21	93-21	93-10	93-14	280
Japanese Govt Bond	Sep 91	96.53	96.54	96.50	96.52	232
	Dec 91	96.87	96.88	96.84	96.86	549
German Govt Bond Previous open interest: 90334	Sep 91	84.23	84.50	84.19	84.30	40018
	Dec 91	84.40	84.58	84.36	84.49	1297
Three month ECU Previous open interest: 4667	Sep 91	90.08	90.10	90.07	90.10	272
	Dec 91	90.15	90.17	90.14	90.17	353

● Ex dividend a Ex all b Forecast dividend e Interim payment passed f Price at suspension g Dividend and yield exclude a special payment h Pre-merger figures n Forecast earnings o Ex other r Ex rights s Ex scrip or share split t Tax-free .. No significant data

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COMMODITIES

LONDON FOX

COCOA		COFFEE		SUGAR (FOB) C Czarnikow	
Sep	665-664	Sep	533-532	Oct	214.8-14.6
Dec	702-701	Nov	555-554	Dec	205.0-05.4
Mar	732-731	Jan	576-575	Mar	197.0-96.4
May	747-746	Mar	592-589	May	202.0-97.4
Jul	765-763	May	unq	Aug	200.0-98.0
Sep	784-782	Jul	unq	Oct	201.0-00.4
Dec	807-804	Sep	unq		
Vol: 6855		Vol: 985		Vol: 659	

GNI LONDON GRAIN FUTURES

WHEAT Close (£/t)		BARLEY Close (£/t)		HI-PRO SOYA Close (£/t)	
Sep	111.25	Sep	109.75	Aug	131.00
Nov	114.95	Nov	113.75	Oct	132.00
Jan	118.30	Jan	117.20	Dec	136.00
Mar	121.60	Mar	119.75	Feb	140.00
May	124.50	May	121.45	Apr	141.00
Vol:	89	Vol:	43	Vol:	55

LONDON POTATO FUTURES

		Volume: 160
Oct (£/tonne)	Open: unq	Close: 79.0
Apr	99.8	98.1
May	unq	106.0

MEAT & LIVESTOCK COMMISSION

Average fatstock prices at representative markets on August 6

(p/kg lw)	Pig	Sheep	Cattle
GB:	62.62	123.07	105.94
(+/-)	-2.14	*+1.37	-0.23
Eng/Wales:	60.26	123.77	104.75
(+/-)	-2.31	+1.57	-0.20
(%)	+13.9	-3.8	-6.3
Scotland:	68.38	119.85	109.57
(+/-)	-1.43	-0.12	+0.16
(%)	+7.6	-26.9	-17.3

* *Estimated dead carcase weight*

LONDON MEAT FUTURES

Live Pig (/kg)

Aug	
Open:	88.5
Close:	86.0
Sep	
Open:	unq
Close:	93.0
Oct	
Open:	100.0
Close:	101.0
Volume: 27	

LONDON OIL REPORTS (ICIS-LOR) - London 6.00pm: A lack of direction prevailed and most players were hoping that tonight's stat would remedy the situation.

CRUDE OILS ($/barrel FOB)

Brent Physical	19.45	-0.10
Brent 15 day (Aug)	19.40	-0.15
Brent 15 day (Sep)	19.50	-0.10
W Texas Intermediate (Sep)	21.45	-0.10
W Texas Intermediate (Oct)	21.40	-0.10

PRODUCTS (Buy/sell $/MT)

Spot CIF NW Europe (prompt delivery)

	Bid	Offer
Premium Gas .15	242 (+1)	246 (+1)
Gasoil EEC	183 (-3)	184 (-3)
Non EEC 1H Aug	184 (-4)	186 (-3)
Non EEC 1H Sep	186 (-3)	187 (-3)
3.5 Fuel Oil	66 (n/c)	68 (n/c)
Naphtha	197 (-1)	199 (-2)

IPE FUTURES

GAS OIL

Aug	183.25-83.00	Dec	189.75-89.50
Sep	185.50-85.25	Jan	187.50-87.25
Oct	187.75-87.25	Feb	182.25 BID
Nov	189.50-88.75		Vol: 7519

BRENT

Aug	19.40-19.50	Oct	19.60-19.65
Sep	19.50-19.60		Vol: n/a

BIFFEX

GNI Freight Futures Dry Cargo ($10/pt)

	High	Low	Close
Aug 91	1450	1425	1451
Sep 91	1525	1470	1524
Oct 91	1607	1558	1605
Jan 92	1620	1578	1620

Vol: 370 lots Open interest: 2165
Dry cargo index 1436 same

LONDON METAL EXCHANGE

(Official) (Volume prev day)

	Cash	3mth	Rudolf Wolff
Copper Gde A (£/tonne)	1301.0-1301.5	1320.5-1321.0	Vol: 389850
Lead (£/tonne)	319.25-319.75	330.00-330.50	71150
Zinc Spec Hi Gde ($/tonne)	1058.5-1059.0	1073.5-1074.0	179025
Tin ($/tonne)	5655.0-5660.0	5745.0-5750.0	10705
Aluminium Hi Gde ($/tonne)	1257.0-1258.0	1289.0-1290.0	678475
Nickel ($/tonne):	8145.0-8150.0	8135.0-8140.0	6966

FOX MGMI INDEX

(5pm prices)

	Bid	Offer
Sep	139.00	139.50
Dec	139.80	140.30
Mar	140.50	140.80
		Vol: 365

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Several years ago there was a scarcity of houses to let, particularly in the South-East. **Christopher Warman** reports on how the rental market has changed

The healthy market in rented property has been one of the few consolations of the property slump. Renting has become an attractive alternative to buying, both at the top end of the market in London for overseas visitors and elsewhere for people who would normally expect to buy their home.

The growth in the rental market was also a consequence of the 1988 Housing Act, which ended many restrictions discouraging private landlords. The act introduced tenancies that combined security of tenure for the tenant and a market price for the landlord.

A survey earlier this year by the Association of Residential Letting Agents showed that the number of properties let had increased by 50 per cent nationally. The average rental in London was £290 a week, £180 in the home counties and £120 elsewhere. The lowest average for a single agent was £115 a week in London, £80 in the home counties and £60 elsewhere.

The association attributed the growth to the success of the 1988 act.

The association has more than 300 members, and some are apprehensive about a possible Labour government. Clive Soley, Labour's housing spokesman, recently told the association's annual meeting that his party would introduce two tiers of rented housing. The first would be at market rents, but the tenants in such cases would be ineligible for housing benefit and landlords would have to pay tax on the rental income. The second tier would be at reduced rents, similar to those fixed by the rent office under the rent acts. Tenants would be eligible for housing benefit and the landlord would pay either no tax or a reduced tax on the rental income.

A more important part of the policy, outlined by Mr Soley, was that any phasing-out of the assured shorthold tenancies, the present system for market rents for fixed-term tenancies, would not be retrospective, so that present tenancies would be unaffected by any future change in legislation.

Although the association welcomed that assurance, it was worried about two further Labour proposals. One calls for all tenancies to be registered by a local authority, to ensure that landlords pay taxes on their rents. Members say this will create extra bureaucracy.

A second proposal is that *deposits against dilapidations* — wear and tear by tenants — should be held by local authorities. Robert Orr-Ewing, of Knight Frank & Rutley's lettings office in Chelsea, west London, says: "Landlords will fear the delay that is likely to occur if local authorities get involved. There is also uncertainty about the role that local authorities would play if the landlord and tenant were unable to agree the figures. Finally, tenants would forgo interest on their deposits because this would be kept by local *authorities to pay for the service.*"

Gothic elegance: Chandos Lodge, at Eye, Suffolk, home of Sir Frederick Ashton until his death in 1988, is available for £1,275 a week

The present London rental market is of particular interest. Patricia Farley, of Farley & Co, says the demand for rented property has always fascinated economists, who see its peaks and troughs as an almost exact reflection of world business confidence. This was certainly true during the past year, when the Gulf war restricted the number of foreign business people living temporarily in the capital. Even the fashionable areas of Kensington, Knights*bridge and* Chelsea were *short of* tenants. There are now signs that the rental market has improved. European, Far Eastern and American companies have increased the demand for rented property to house their staff.

In Kensington and Chelsea, Knight Frank & Rutley reports a shortage of good quality flats with one to three bedrooms. The good ones are being let quickly, but a lot of flats remain on the market because they are not up to standard. This is sometimes because the owner really wants to sell the flat and is therefore reluctant to spend money on it. To show the range that the market encompasses in Kensington, Knight Frank & Rutley can offer a one-bedroom flat in Stafford Terrace for £350 a week or a family house with a garden in Victoria Road at £2,500 a week.

The contrast with London Docklands is dramatic. The market there has been particularly buoyant. Increasingly, tenants are interested in buying in the area but are renting first so that they can look around and take full advantage of the sales market. There is also a growing number of enquiries from staff waiting for their companies to move to Canary Wharf on the Isle of Dogs. They can find flats in many of the newly built blocks on or near the river, paying £160 a week for a one-bedroom flat and £375 a week for three bedrooms at Cumberland Mills, and £210 a week for two bedrooms in Luralda Gardens. In Wapping, a large three-bedroom flat (2,300 sq ft) at Telfords Yard, with underground parking, costs £375 a week.

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Blandings has on its books Chandos Lodge, a Gothic retreat in Suffolk that was the home of the choreographer Sir Frederick Ashton until his death in 1988. The house, at Eye, near Diss, which accommodates eight and has a large heated swimming-pool, also contains his collections of china, furniture and ornaments and his sketches of sets and costumes. Since he died, the only changes to this delightfully cluttered house have been the modernisation of the kitchen and the redecoration of the swimming-pool area.

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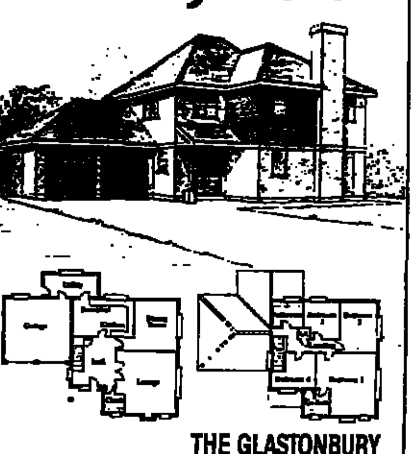

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A survey of 1,000 of Europe's largest employers has revealed that 70 per cent have no plans to expand or move in the next five years. This will come as a blow to developers after earlier reports and surveys had told them to prepare for the boom times ahead.

The survey, into the users' view of Europe, was undertaken by Knight Frank & Rutley in conjunction with PBA Information Systems. It found a lack of interest "in the supposed opportunities forthcoming from a united Europe". In addition, many corporate expansion programmes are being hampered by the economic depression, and this has led to the cancellation and deferral of many of their plans.

The survey confirms that the present recession in Europe is being felt most acutely in Britain, and this is given as the reason why the expansion of British companies abroad has been slowed. In contrast, corporate confidence in Germany remains high, despite growing concern over the economic strains resulting from reunification.

The survey shows nevertheless that 30 per cent of Europe's largest space users either are moving their factories and offices or plan to do so soon. Under these plans 480 substantial premises will be required, two-thirds of them involving cross-border trading.

Of the premises, 69 per cent are needed in the European Community, 17 per cent in Eastern Europe, 5 per cent in Scandinavia and 9 per cent elsewhere. About 25 per cent recorded in the Community were for commercial premises in Britain. "Many foreign corporate interests see the currently high levels of availability of new commercial space and falling property prices as a prime opportunity for gaining UK market penetration through the establishment of new UK facilities," Knight Frank & Rutley says.

The agent suggests the disposal of new accommodation in Britain will make successful marketing campaigns covering the whole of Europe increasingly important.

Not surprisingly, Eastern Europe is trying to attract Western interest. The initial euphoria surrounding the opening of this new market, however, has given way to great caution from developers and businesses considering taking premises in Eastern Europe. Although many companies have firm plans for Eastern European expansion, most now say they will not make a move until these countries have become more stabilised.

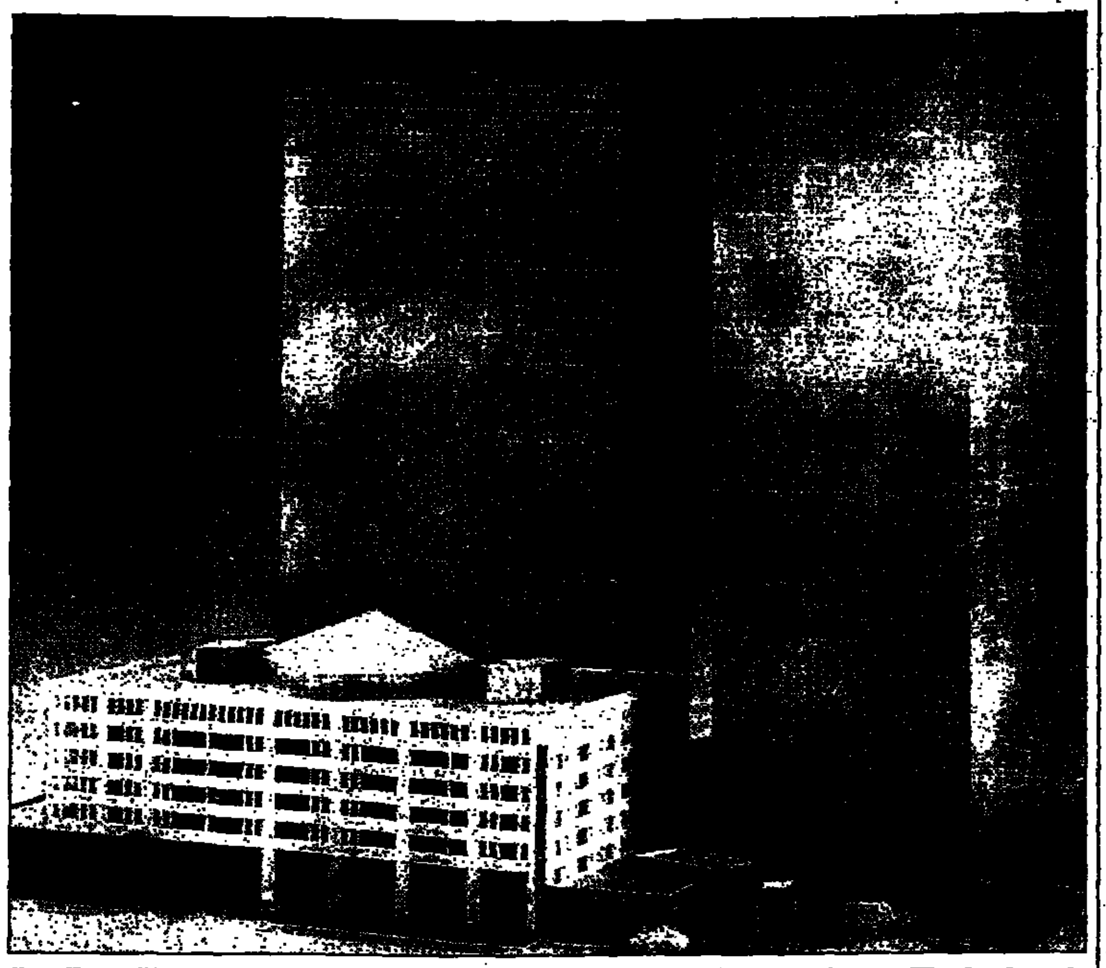
Because of this, most of Europe's principal companies are seriously considering Vienna as a future base from which to serve the Eastern European markets. Growing interest in commercial space in the Austrian capital is therefore forecast.

About 36 per cent of European requirements are for offices and 16 per cent each for factories and distribution centres.

Many companies, particularly those coming from a base in Britain, are finding it difficult to secure high-specification premises in a prime location in many areas of Europe.

British companies regard the business park sector on the Continent as relatively under-developed. They believe only a few schemes offer the standard expected by high-profile multinational employers. As a result, some companies have had to consider developing their own premises, although, particularly in Spain and Portugal, they have often been frustrated by planning mechanisms.

The report concludes that companies needing business space insist on highly flexible accommodation, or development packages, that can meet the often fluctuating needs of the conglomerates. "The rapid economic changes sweeping Europe at present mean that occupiers wish to be able to respond and alter their premises strategy very quickly to take advantage of the new opportunities which are constantly emerging," the report says.



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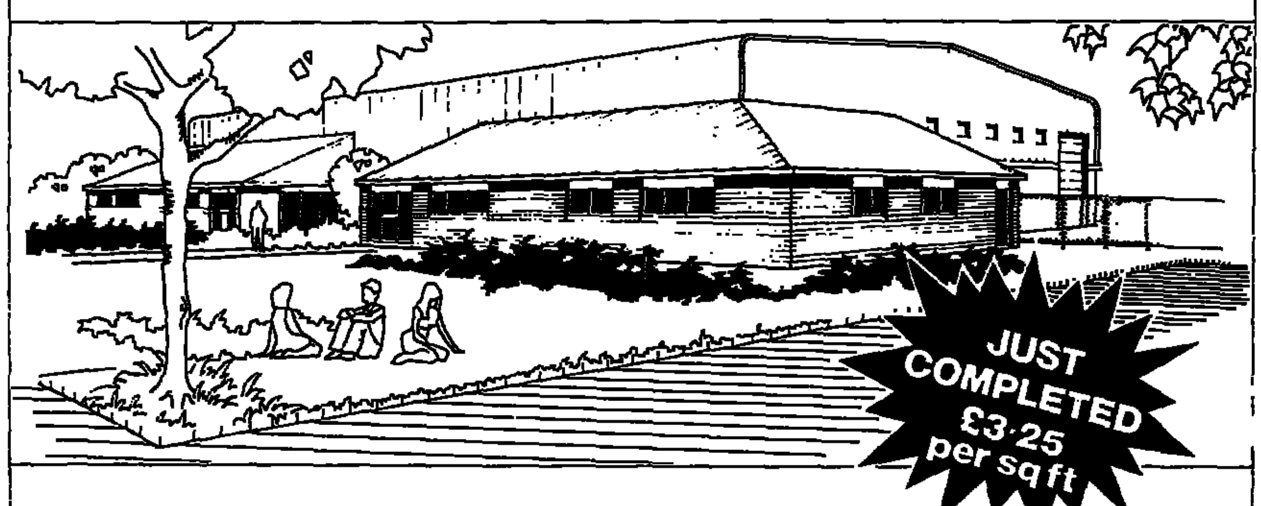

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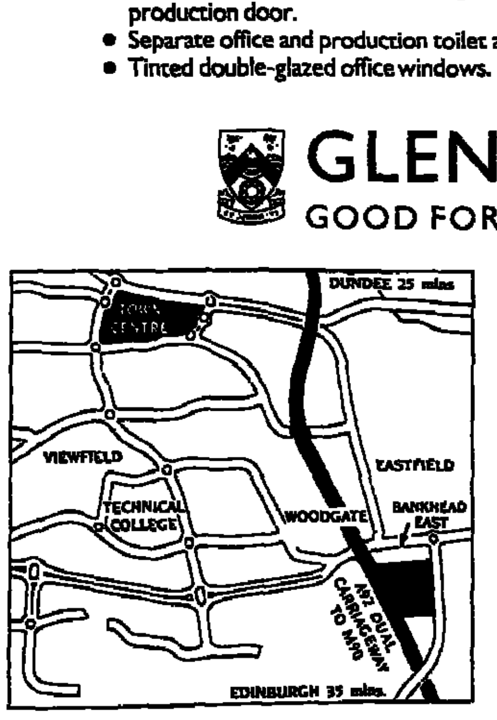

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Court of Appeal

Police must produce seized papers

Marcel and Others v Commissioner of Police of the Metropolis and Others

Before Lord Justice Dillon, Lord Justice Nolan and Sir Christopher Slade

[Judgment July 23]

Although there were limits on the use to which documents seized by the police under the Police and Criminal Evidence Act 1984 could properly be put, there was no reason why the police should not produce such documents to the court for use in civil proceedings in obedience to an order of subpoena *duces tecum* if the owner of the documents could have been required to produce them under such an order had they still been in his possession.

The Court of Appeal so held in reserved judgments when allowing, except as to privileged documents, an appeal by the second defendant, Warwick Merrilees Jaggard, from Sir Nicolas Browne-Wilkinson, Vice-Chancellor (*The Times* December 5, 1990; [1991] 2 WLR 1118) who, on the motion of the plaintiffs, David Jan Marcel, Stephen Michael Laugharne Morgan and Paul Michael Gunning, had ordered, *inter alia*: (i) Mr Jaggard and the third defendants, Proctor Gillette, solicitors, to deliver up to the first defendant, the Commissioner of Police of the Metropolis, copies of documents of the plaintiffs obtained from the police; (ii) that Mr Jaggard and Proctor Gillette be restrained from making use of information obtained from certain of those documents, and (iii) that a writ of subpoena *duces tecum* be set aside.

Mr Daniel Serota, QC and Mr John R. Davies for Mr Jaggard; Mr Jeremy Gompertz, QC and Mr Duncan Macleod for the police; Mr Alan Newman, QC and Mr Paul Epstein for the plaintiffs.

LORD JUSTICE DILLON said that Anchor Brewhouse Development Ltd had brought actions against Mr Jaggard in connection with contracts entered into by Mr Jaggard to buy from Anchor certain flats in a Docklands development carried out by Anchor.

By his defences and counterclaims in those main actions, Mr Jaggard sought to establish that he was induced to enter into the contracts by misrepresentations made to him by the plaintiffs in the present action, the documents action, who were said to be servants or agents of Anchor, and were not parties to the main actions.

In September and October 1990 the present plaintiffs were arrested and documents in their possession were seized by the police under the 1984 Act. Charges of conspiracy to defraud Mr Jaggard were later laid against the plaintiffs, but those charges were subsequently withdrawn.

In October 1990, after the seizure of documents by the police, a subpoena *duces tecum* was issued by Mr Jaggard's solicitor, Mr Barker, against the officer in charge of the criminal investigation, requiring the production in court at the trial of the main actions of documents concerning the investigation into the affairs of Anchor and named persons.

On October 26, in anticipation of the service of the subpoena, and before the trial began, the officer concerned, Inspector Bick, allowed Mr Barker, who had forgotten to take the subpoena to an appointment with the inspector to serve him with it, to inspect and copy some of the documents seized by the police. The subpoena was actually served a few days later.

On the first day of the trial, November 5, 1990, Inspector Bick attended court with all the documents he was prepared to produce. Also on that day, certain of the copies of documents obtained by Mr Barker were read in open court.

On November 6, the writ in the documents action was issued and the trial of the main actions was adjourned. The result of the Vice-Chancellor's order was that the documents seized by the police from the plaintiffs were to go back to the police and were not to be admitted in evidence in the main actions, unless, no doubt, they could be obtained by Mr Jaggard from some source other than the police.

The relevant provisions of the 1984 Act were sections 18, 19 and 22. In view of the references in the Act to legal privilege, it was clear and undisputed that certain of the copies supplied to Mr Barker, which were the subject of legal professional privilege in favour of the plaintiffs, could not in any event be used in the main actions, and to that extent the Vice-Chancellor's order stood.

The Act, and the *Police and Criminal Evidence Act 1984 (s66) Codes of Practice*, emphasised that seized documents remained the property of the person from whom they were seized.

That raised what to his Lordship's mind was the essential question, namely: why should not the police, having themselves no objection to doing so, be liable to produce to the court on a subpoena *duces tecum* documents which the true owner would be liable to produce on a similar subpoena if the documents were still in his possession?

The argument in the court below was directed to a different aspect which was also argued before their Lordships, namely, for what purposes the police could use documents seized under the Act.

His Lordship agreed in general with the Vice-Chancellor's statement, (at pp1124-1125), as to such purposes, but that agreement was solely in relation to the voluntary use by the police of the seized documents.

His Lordship's judgment was not concerned with documents which had entered the public domain by being put in evidence in open court in criminal proceedings, not was it to be treated as suggesting that there was any impropriety in the present practice of the police of supplying information to interested parties in connection with civil litigation after road accidents, allegations of child abuse, and certain claims against the Criminal Injuries Compensation Board.

That having been said, the powers the police had to use seized documents for the purposes indicated by the Vice-Chancellor did not absolve the police from the duty which police officers shared with every other citizen to obey the orders of the courts in civil proceedings, and in particular to obey subpoenas duly served upon them.

The police officer was therefore amenable to produce on subpoena any documents in his possession, subject to the true owner having the right to challenge the subpoena or the production of the documents on an accepted ground of challenge, which did not include any such ground of confidentiality as between the police and the true owner, or abuse of power, as had been suggested.

His Lordship considered various accepted grounds, including the privilege against self-incrimination, which was not available to the plaintiffs since the production in evidence, pursuant to the subpoena, of documents already in the possession of the police could not add anything to the strength of the criminal case against any of the plaintiffs, even apart from the fact that all the charges alleging fraud on Mr Jaggard had been withdrawn.

The police should not disclose seized documents, without the consent of the owners, otherwise than for the specific purposes specified in the Act, unless a subpoena had been served on the relevant police officer.

However, in the present case, as the law had not been clarified, Mr Jaggard should not be prevented from making use of documents, not the subject of legal professional privilege, which were covered by the subpoena but were erroneously disclosed by Inspector Bick to Mr Barker before the subpoena had been served.

Even where a subpoena had been served, the police should not disclose seized documents to the advisers of a party to civil proceedings in advance of the attendance at court required by the subpoena, unless at the least the police had first given to the true owner of the documents notice of the service of the subpoena and of the wish of the police to produce the documents in advance of the attendance at court, and had given the true owner a reasonable opportunity to state his objections if any to that course.

LORD JUSTICE NOLAN, concurring, said that in many cases, and his Lordship would hope the vast majority, if the documents seized by the police were to be used against their owner at all, they would have been used, and so would have come into the public domain, in criminal proceedings before any civil trial took place.

But there would always be a substantial number of cases, especially where fraud was alleged, where urgent civil action was required, for example to prevent the proceeds of the alleged crime from being taken out of the jurisdiction, and where for that or other reasons the civil action preceded the criminal proceedings.

The danger that, in consequence, the civil trial might jeopardise the fair conduct of the criminal trial required no emphasis. The existence of the danger underlined the importance of ensuring that documents seized by the police should not be made available for use in civil proceedings except under subpoena.

The fact that the production and use of the seized documents at the civil trial would remain under the control of the trial judge represented a reassuring and necessary safeguard against unexpected developments.

The statutory powers given to the police were plainly coupled with a public law duty. The precise extent of the duty was difficult to define in general terms beyond saying that the powers must be exercised only in the public interest and with due regard to the rights of individuals.

In the context of the seizure and retention of documents, his Lordship would hold that the public law duty was combined with a private law duty of confidentiality towards the owner of the documents.

In his Lordship's view it would be wise for the police to inform the owner of documents which had been seized of the fact that a subpoena had been served, whether or not the police intended to disclose the documents to the advisers of one of the parties in advance of the attendance at court required by the subpoena.

Sir Christopher Slade delivered a judgment concurring in the result.

Solicitors: Proctor Gillette; Solicitor, Metropolitan Police; Simons Muirhead & Burton.

Queen's Bench Division

No liability after original term ends

City of London v Fell and Others

Before Mr Desmond Perrett, QC

[Judgment July 10]

The terms "tenancy" and "term" in respect of leases had distinct and precise meanings. Where a lease which had been assigned by the original lessee had run its term and been extended by the assignee under the provisions of the Landlord and Tenant Act 1954, the obligations of the original lessee ceased on the completion of the term.

Mr Desmond Perrett, QC, sitting as a deputy judge of the Queen's Bench Division, so held when giving judgment for John Arnold Fell, John Edward James Hayward and Edward Denham Sturmer, the defendants in an action by the City of London for arrears of rent arising on premises of which the defendants were the original lessees but which had been assigned in 1984.

Mr Mark Pawlowski for the plaintiffs; Miss Erica Foggin for the defendants.

HIS LORDSHIP said that the defendants, solicitors in the City of London, had taken a lease on premises owned by the plaintiffs for a term of ten years from March 25, 1976. In June 1979 the lease was assigned to Grovebell Group plc for the residue of the unexpired term.

The final payment of rent was due at Christmas 1985. At the expiration of the ten-year term, on March 24, 1986, the assignees continued in occupation pursuant to the provisions of Part II of the 1954 Act until January 23, 1987 when the premises were surrendered to the lessors.

On December 1, 1986 the assignees were compulsorily wound up. The plaintiffs were left with a deficit of £33,460.64 and were told by the liquidators that the prospect of a dividend was remote. In 1990 the lessors issued a writ against the original lessees for the outstanding rent.

Clause 1 of the lease referred to "the term of ten years . . .". It was the defendants' contention that that defined clearly and without equivocation, the extent in time for which they remained liable for payment of rent and the lessors, having received rent for the term, were entitled to no more.

The plaintiffs alleged that since it was a business tenancy to which Part II of the Landlord and Tenant Act applied, the privity of contract between the original parties to the contractual lease continued during the statutory extension of the lease, for by section 24(1) of the Act a business tenancy was not to come to an end unless determined in accordance with the provisions of the Act, the effect being that the contractual tenancy continued but with a statutory variation as to the mode of its determination thus remaining throughout one and the same tenancy.

There was no case in which the point had been decided as between lessor and lessee and it appeared to be the opinion expressed in the current edition of *Woodfall, Landlord and Tenant* ((1990) 22/31) that the point should, by analogy with *G. M. S. Syndicate v Gary Elliott* ([1982] Ch 1), be resolved in favour of the lessor.

The broad effect of Part II of the Landlord and Tenant Act 1954 was alluded to by Lord Justice Denning in *H. L. Bolton (Engineering) Co Ltd v T. J. Graham & Sons Ltd* ([1956] 1 QB 159, 168) where he said when discussing the effect of a notice to quit on a business tenancy for a term of years certain "the right view is that the common law tenancy subsisted with a statutory variation as to the mode of determination".

In *Weinbergs Weatherproofs Ltd v Radcliffe Paper Mills Co Ltd* ([1958] 1 Ch 437, 445) Mr Justice Harman, when deciding whether a notice purporting to terminate a contractual business tenancy in accordance with the terms of the lease was effective even though no notice had been served under section 25 of the 1954 Act, said "the term must be thought of as continuing by way of a statutory extension. . ." and he cited the passage from Lord Justice Denning in the *Bolton* case.

It appeared from Lord Justice Denning's judgment in *Bolton* that at no time was he referring to anything other than "the tenancy", that is, the right to occupy pursuant to the lease and that it was that tenancy or right to occupy which subsisted with the statutory variation by reason of the Act. Lord Justice Denning made no mention of "the term" in its strict sense as continuing.

It was in no way essential in *Weinbergs* that Mr Justice Harman should have an eye to any difference in meaning between the words "tenancy" and "term" but if he was basing himself on Lord Justice Denning's view in *Bolton* he was using the word as if it were synonymous with tenancy.

For the purposes of the instant case the words had to bear their precise meanings and were not to be regarded as interchangeable.

It was clear law that a contractual tenancy which continued by way of statutory extension continued "upon the same terms".

The contractual lease defined the rights and obligations of the parties to the statutory extension of the tenancy. That statutory arrangement held no benefit for the original lessee. If he was not in possession at the date of expiry of the contractual term he was afforded no right to possession and was not privy to the statutory consequences in any way.

Whether an assignee of the original lease elected to hold over after the expiry of the contractual term was entirely beyond the control of the original lessee. There appeared to be nothing in the Act which perpetuated the obligations of anyone other than the lessor and the business occupant at the expiration of the term.

Solicitors: Mr Andrew J. Colvin; Wilde Sapte.

Penalty for breach of discovery obligation

Landauer Ltd v Comins & Co (a Firm)

Before Lord Justice Lloyd, Lord Justice Farquharson and Sir John Megaw

[Judgment May 14]

While it was accepted that the normal prerequisite for the striking out of an action under Order 24, rule 16 of the Rules of the Supreme Court for failure to comply with a requirement for discovery of documents was the existence of a real or substantial or serious risk that a fair trial was no longer possible, it might be that cases of contumacious conduct, such as the deliberate suppression of a document, would justify striking out even if a fair trial were still possible.

The Court of Appeal so observed when dismissing an appeal by the plaintiffs, Landauer Ltd, from the order made on December 6, 1990 by Judge Russell Vick sitting as a Deputy Judge in the Queen's Bench Division, whereby Landauer's claim for breach of contract and negligence against the defendants, Comins & Co, was struck out for failure to comply with a requirement as to discovery.

Mr Eldred Tabachnik, QC and Mr Christopher Moger for Landauer; Mr John Jarvis, QC and Mr Andrew Fletcher for Comins.

LORD JUSTICE LLOYD said that it was common ground that the question which the judge had had to ask himself was whether there had been a real or substantial or serious risk that a fair trial was no longer possible. That was the test which had been adopted by Mr Justice Millett in *Logicrose Ltd v Southend United Football Club Ltd* (*The Times* March 5, 1988).

In that case, the plaintiff's claim was not struck out, since the relevant documents had eventually been produced. So far as the court had been made aware, the instant case was the first occasion on which a claim had been struck out for breach of a discovery obligation.

In *Logicrose* the judge had said that it was no part of the court's function in exercising its discretion under Order 24, rule 16 of the Rules of the Supreme Court to punish the party in default. In all ordinary cases that had to be so.

But his Lordship could imagine cases of contumacious conduct, such as the deliberate suppression of a document, which might justify striking out, on the analogy of striking out for want of prosecution, even if a fair trial were still possible.

On the facts of the case, and assuming that the plaintiffs' destruction of the documents had been merely inadvertent, the judge had been justified in reaching the conclusion which he had done and in striking out the action. The appeal would be dismissed.

Lord Justice Farquharson and Sir John Megaw agreed.

Solicitors: Norton Rose; Barlowe Lyde & Gilbert.

Documentation relevant

Thomas v R. C. Frame Erectors Ltd

Where it was abundantly clear that documentation being sought by a party to proceedings before an industrial tribunal was relevant and the rules of discovery applied, it was essential that, if discovery was ordered, that order was complied with, and, if there were documents no longer in a party's possession in relation to which it was necessary to obtain a subpoena because that party would not give permission for them to be disclosed, an order for costs might be appropriate.

The Employment Appeal Tribunal (Mr Justice Wood, Mr R. J. Lewis and Mr R. H. Phipps) so stated on July 18 when allowing an appeal by Raymond Thomas against the striking out by the chairman of a London industrial tribunal of his application for a redundancy payment, because he had failed to comply with an order for discovery, when a date had already been fixed for the hearing of a preliminary issue.

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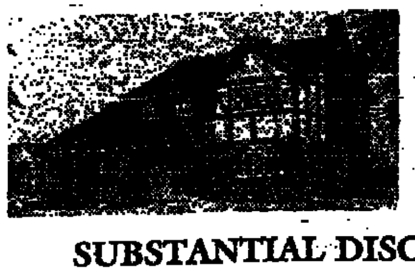

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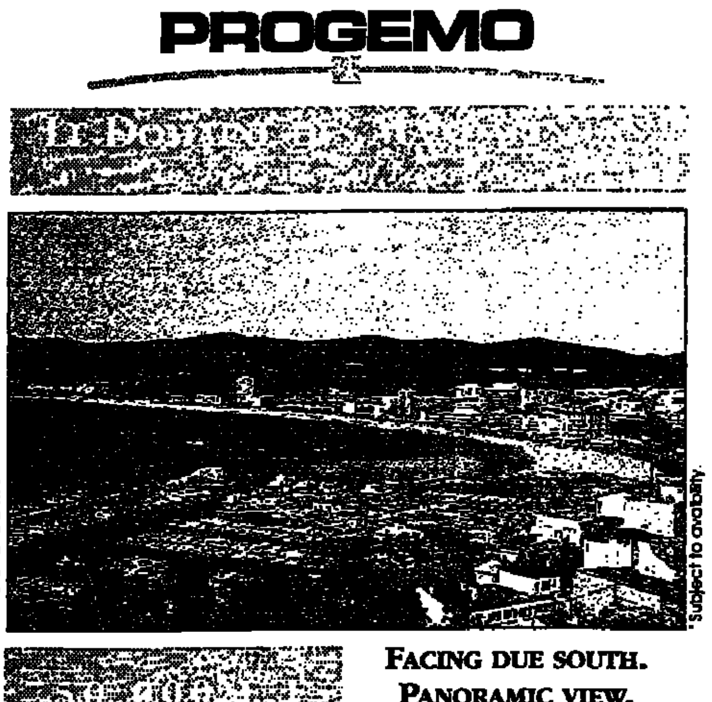

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Cram wants to consolidate and still have a bit of strength in reserve

Gunnell in mood to grasp gold mantle

From DAVID POWELL, ATHLETICS CORRESPONDENT, ZURICH

WHILE Steve Cram goes chasing his past tonight, Sally Gunnell hopes to show her face in the crystal ball. Who will be world champion at 400 metres hurdles? Gunnell's image is beginning to appear.

On Saturday, in Monte Carlo, she set a British record, only the second woman this year under 54 seconds. The other, Sandra Farmer-Patrick, a Jamaican-American, is injured. What else are we to think but Gunnell for gold?

The Letzigrund stadium here will be a meaningful visit to the gypsy's caravan. While the future can never be predicted with certainty, the Weltklasse grand prix will tell us whether the best of the rest, Kim Batten and Margarita Ponomaryova, are now fixed on the ladder below Gunnell, or whether Monte Carlo was the upset it seemed at the time.

Gunnell, running 53.78sec, beat them both by almost two seconds, a colossal margin at this distance. "I want to run under 54 seconds again," Gunnell said, her resolve underlined by her journeying direct from Monaco to here to make sure she was not engulfed by euphoria back in Brighton.

"If I had gone home to see the family, all the excitement would not have been the best preparation for here," she said. "I am No. 2 in the world now and I have got to be thinking of gold."

Cram is thinking of home. He is bored here, not that fussed about competing and would rather be in Gateshead running 1,000 metres. For that, he has to wait until Friday. In the meantime, he is stuck with a 1,500 metres run tonight against most of the contenders for Tokyo.

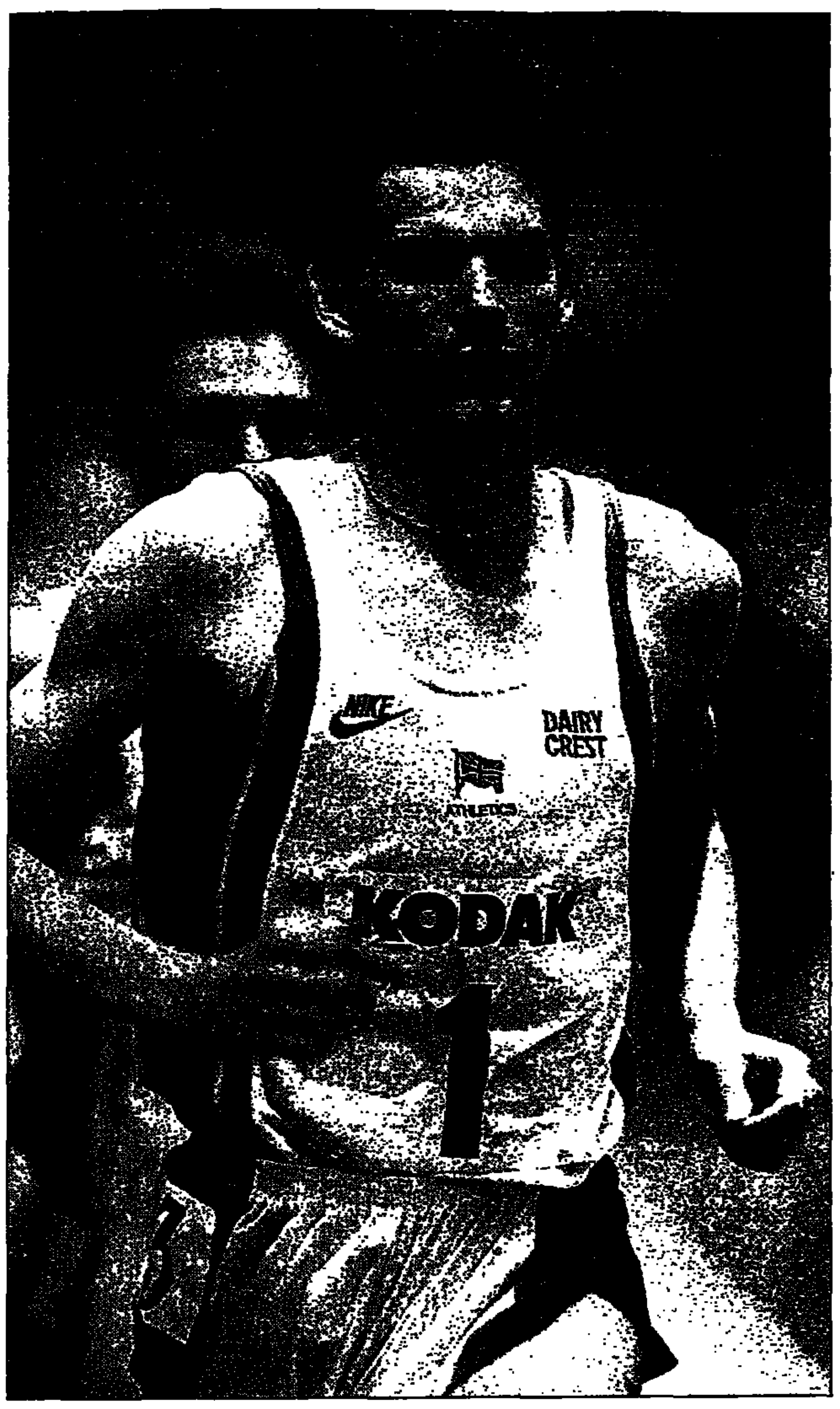
In a field containing Morceli, Doyle, Cacho, Rono and Bile, the notable absentees are Elliott and Aouita. Elliott will be looking to improve on the 1min 45.52sec 800 metres he ran in Malmö on Monday; Aouita, after his 3min 33.28sec in Monte Carlo, has gone back to training.

Cram ran 3:34.96, six seconds quicker than his previous best this season. "I just want to consolidate," he said yesterday. "I would like to run 3:34 and bits again and feel I have a bit more left in the bank."

Cram started his season late because of injury and it was Monday before he got round to his first session of 200s. He is satisfied with his strength, but the speed needs working on.

The fields for the sprints were late in being announced but it was assumed that Linford Christie was coming for the 100 metres and that, once again, he would face Leroy Burrell, who has beaten him twice in a week. Michael Johnson, Frankie Fredericks and John Regis were due for a Monte Carlo 200m repeat.

Steve Backley's first duel of the summer with Seppo Raty, the javelin world record-holder, will have to wait until Tokyo. Backley is here but Raty is not.



Hanlon: 'I started with the steeplechase. I feel it is *my* event'

Spurred to beat Kenyans to the jump

From DAVID POWELL

MRS Hanlon probably did not appreciate at the time the value her clothes props would play in giving her fifth son a start in life, but from such humble beginnings are sporting heroes born.

Is there a boy who, inspired by Wimbledon, a Test match or an FA Cup final, has not rushed to his garden to recreate the moment just witnessed on television? Tom Hanlon was always doing it: Borg versus Gerulaitis — "I was both of them"; a glimpse of Manchester United and on went his Denis Law shirt. But the lasting impression was left by The Great Steeplechase Calamity of 1978: men trained in hurdling technique and stamina competing for the prize of a European title but piling up at a barrier in a scene that would have done credit to the reputation of Becher's.

Krzysztov Wesolowski, a Pole, tripped and fell, bringing several of the field down with him. "I was 11, watching it on television, and I remember going out in the back garden and taking the props to make two barriers," Hanlon said. "I went round and round pretending I was in the race."

So many steeplechasers have come to the event as a respite from the tedium of flat racing. Not Hanlon. "As soon as I got into running, I started with the steeplechase. I feel it is *my* event." At the moment it belongs to the Kenyans, but Hanlon is working on it.

Here in the Weltklasse grand prix tonight, he will attempt once again, as he did in Monte Carlo on Saturday, to impose himself on the Kenyans. In Monte Carlo he finished third, the third fastest Briton of all time. British steeplechasers come in twos: Brasher and Disley; Pomfret and Herriott; Reitz and Fell; Rowland and, now, Hanlon.

Hanlon's 8min 12.58sec trailed only Rowland (8:07.96) and Reitz (8:12.11) in the rankings. He felt he should have run faster: "I was not at the bottom of the barrel," he said.

The Kenyans like to be first to the jumps. "You cannot let them have their heads, otherwise they will annihilate you," Hanlon said. "If you put them under pressure at the barriers, it affects them."

In his four steeplechases this season, Hanlon has run progressively quicker. Tonight the trend may continue, not because his priority is a fast time but because he wants the win that has eluded him on the international circuit. "The steeplechase is never a tactical race with the Kenyans," he said. "If I get the win I will get the time."

That would give the Kenyans something to ponder, for it will be Hanlon's last steeplechase before the world championships in Tokyo. He says nothing about winning there. Hanlon is too new to the highest level to claim more than: "If I do myself justice, that might mean a medal."

Aged 24, he has run faster every year since joining the senior ranks in 1987. "I should peak at 27 or 28, but if it is there now I will take it. If you start thinking you have time, things can go wrong. You race like it is going to be your last chance."

Though the name was not mentioned, Rowland may have precipitated the thought. Olympic steeplechase bronze medal winner in 1988, European runner-up last year, his designs on gold in Tokyo have been destroyed by injury.

But Rowland might take silver from the bookmakers, should he have the mind to do so. Hanlon made £500 backing Rowland to win Olympic bronze. Similar odds on Hanlon would be worth taking.

Turner paves the way to host Atlanta 1996

DAVID MILLER

IN CUBA

During the run-up last summer to the voting on the centenary Olympic Games host city, CNN's television news network around the world seemed consistently to be showing the temperature in Atlanta at around 27 degrees. It could be 36 in Miami, 34 in Toronto and New York, but Atlanta? Always a relatively comfortable 27.

Anyone who knows Georgia in July and August, the period of the Games, is aware that sub-30 temperatures are the exception. There were those who began to suspect, mischievously, that Ted Turner, the multi-millionaire owner of CNN, had an interest in Atlanta winning the bid and was editing the weather charts. That supposed interest has become more apparent in the last month, with Turner appearing in Lausanne and then, of all places, Havana.

It takes something special to persuade Turner to spend precious time, accompanied by his friend, Jane Fonda, in a place as relatively unaccommodating as communist Cuba. The simultaneous presence here of Juan Antonio Samaranch, the IOC president, Dick Pound, from Montreal, the financial brains of the IOC, François Carrard, the chief executive, Robert Helmick, the head of the US Olympic Committee, and Charlie Battle, from the Atlanta organising committee, could be the answer. The suspicion is that Turner wishes to be host broadcaster for 1996.

His visit to Lausanne, at the time of the decision to readmit South Africa, was said to have been for talks. Turner goes nowhere just for a nice talk. Adding 10 million cable viewers to CNN subscribers, on the other hand, by offering the Olympic Games as an incentive, could be worth a cool $500 million; rather more than he will probably need to offer to beat any bid by the NBC or ABC networks. ABC paid $240 million for the Los Angeles Games, NBC $300 million, plus potential bonuses that did not materialise, for 1988 in Seoul.

ABC is said not to be intending to bid for Atlanta in what is a financially declining network sports market. NBC has never been a reckless bidder.

Turner's problem is that he would need the equipment to be host broadcaster. This is not available from the American networks, but he might loan it from CTV in Canada ... which also just happens to be here in impoverished Havana. CNN's coverage of the Gulf War increased its monthly contracts by 20 per cent. A similar uplift from offering the Olympic Games, *in America*, could make Turner even more wealthy than he already is — able to lose millions on the Goodwill Games without a blink. Furthermore, the possibility of cut-rate television coverage among African nations could have been a much more attractive incentive for IOC voters than the alleged seduction last year by Coca-Cola.

It would be naive to pretend that the Olympic Games are not big business. Athens knew that as well as anyone, yet though having a campaign that was suspect in several aspects, its committee never supposed that the IOC would dare to vote against its historic claim.

One bidding city for 2000 that will be under no illusion about the power of money is Brasilia. Its committee has been here in force, including the granddaughter of the architect who built much of the new city 40 years ago. With two years to go to the vote, Brasilia has already been stretching the intended hospitality limits, throwing two large parties for their Latin American colleagues at the Pan-American Games.

Also present has been the Peking Committee, including the minister of sport, who had a meeting with Mario Vazques Rana, the multi-president of Mexico's Olympic Committee, the Pan-American Sports Organisation and the 167-strong Association of National Olympic Committees — and since the Birmingham session in June, an IOC member as well. Vazques Rana's influence is considerable: the Chinese, who staged a competent Asian Games last summer, know that they must regain ground badly, lost by inadequate hosting of IOC members in Peking, the one blunder of the Asian Games.

Another 2000 candidate, Sydney, has been here, going through the mammoth task of acquainting itself with the international scenario; Manchester might wonder whether it missed a trick by not strengthening its hand in the Latin American arena, where it holds few obvious cards. The field for 2000 is becoming ominiously strong. In Europe, Manchester is challenged by Berlin — which has yet to find a campaign leader, though Willi Brandt has been suggested — and possibly Milan, Paris, Belgrade and Istanbul; in the far east and Oceania by Sydney and Peking; and in the Americas by Brazil and Buenos Aires.

The latter pair will not be helped by their longitudinal proximity to Atlanta in 1996, while Peking cannot have welcomed the Asian success by Nagano over Salt Lake for the 1998 Winter Games. The most serious rivals to Manchester at present are, in my opinion, Berlin and Sydney.

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NETBALL

Galsworthy's successor selected

By LOUISE TAYLOR

LIZ Broomhead was yesterday named senior coach by the All England Netball Association (AENA). She will take over from Betty Galsworthy after the tour of England by the West Indies in November. Broomhead, who was one of four candidates for the post, will acquaint herself with the job by working alongside Galsworthy for the next few months.

She has previously been in charge of the England under-18 team and Derbyshire.

At last weekend's meeting of the AENA selectors it was also decided that Pat Watson would remain as the under-21 coach for the next three years. A new under-18 coach will be appointed next month.

Evian has renewed its three-year sponsorship of the annual inter-counties tournament, which is held at Anerley, London.

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Daswaki to extend Hannon's fine run

RICHARD Hannon, currently lying sixth in the trainers' championship, is enjoying a glorious spate of winners at present.

Still high on his Stewards' Cup victory with Notley at Goodwood last Tuesday, Hannon completed a highly satisfactory week on Saturday by producing three more winners at three different venues.

Another impressive Goodwood success of his was **Daswaki**, who captured the opening event of the five-day festival, the Robert Modavi Handicap, by three-and-a-half lengths.

Now Hannon is striking while the iron is hot with his three-year-old, who reappears at Kempton Park tonight in the Beckford Handicap.

Such was the authority of Daswaki's success at Goodwood — he made virtually all the running — that a 5lb penalty is unlikely to stop him completing a speedy double, and he is my nap.

Unlike Hannon, Guy Harwood's Pulborough yard failed to secure a customary Goodwood success, but Seal Ring can give the Sussex stable a welcome winner by defying top weight in the Lyde Green Nursery Handicap.

MANDARIN

This Known Fact colt made a pleasing debut when beating Prime Mover at Salisbury last month, and he looks capable of mastering the treble-seeking Wild Honour.

Dick Hern's **Ameer Dalham** showed enough potential when chasing home Ninja Dancer at Sandown on his first appearance to suggest that the Rivermead Maiden Stakes should be within his compass.

Rather than let **Bookcase** take his chance over hurdles at the Devon meeting today, David Elsworth has opted for the mile-and-a-half Loddon Apprentice Handicap.

Bookcase was a respectable third behind Flown and Vintage at Windsor last month, and as the winner won well again at Goodwood on Saturday, the four-year-old should give a good account of himself, although Reg Akehurst's Taylor's Realm looks a dangerous rival.

Fahd Salman runs his promising Hero's Light in the Black Rock Maiden Stakes at Brighton. This American-bred colt showed up well behind Seattle Rhyme at Ascot on his debut.

But slight preference is for Michael Bell's well-regarded **Regal Dancer**, who also made a favourable impression when making good progress to finish sixth behind Providence at the Newmarket July meeting.

Paul Cole, the trainer of Hero's Light, should be compensated however with **Green's Le Sidaner** in the Hassocks Handicap. After three successive seconds, this workmanlike colt opened his account at Thirsk recently, and may continue to improve.

Compensation also awaits **The Dawn Trader** in the BBC Radio Sussex Maiden Stakes. This Michael Jarvis-trained filly finished first in her latest outing at Thirsk, but was demoted.

There could be a royal winner at Pontefract where the Queen's **Harmonious**, a promising sixth behind Swallowcliffe at Kempton, can get off the mark in the Featherstone Maiden Stakes.

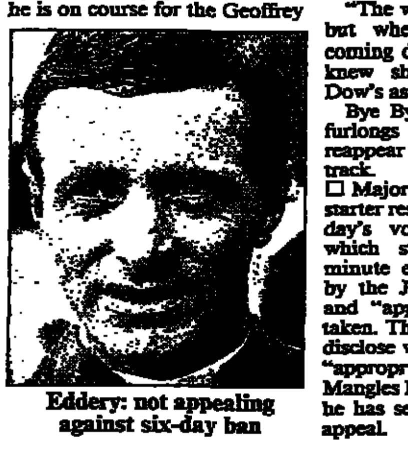
Ban costs Eddery top Newbury ride

PAT Eddery will not appeal against the six-day ban he collected for careless riding at Nottingham on Monday night.

The champion's suspension, from August 14 to 19 inclusive, will rule him out of Newbury's Geoffrey Freer Stakes a week on Saturday in which he was due to partner Quest For Fame, last year's Derby winner.

Quest For Fame, with Eddery in the saddle, worked at Newbury yesterday morning, satisfying connections that he is over the sore shins that have kept him off the track since the Coronation Cup in June.

"He was very fresh and worked well," Eddery said. His trainer Roger Charlton added: "I was very happy with him and he is on course for the Geoffrey Freer. I don't expect to have much problem finding a substitute for Pat."



Eddery: not appealing against six-day ban

Eddery was stood down for his riding of Brother Ray, who finished second in the British Coal Handicap. He was found to have caused interference through careless riding and the pair was disqualified.

The Nottingham setback did not stop Eddery continuing his winning ways at Redcar yesterday.

The reigning champion provided Epsom trainer Simon Dow with his fiftieth winner under both codes when partnering Bye Bye Baby to an effortless four-length success from J P Morgan in the Emerald Maiden Claiming Stakes.

"The winner is a moody sort but when we saw the rain coming down this morning we knew she would win," said Dow's assistant Alan Knight.

Bye Bye Baby, who led two furlongs out, is expected to reappear on Friday at the same track.

☐ Major John Mangles, the starter responsible for last Tuesday's void race at Beverley which started more than a minute early, was interviewed by the Jockey Club yesterday and "appropriate action" was taken. The Jockey Club did not disclose what it considers to be "appropriate action" but Major Mangles has not lost his job and he has seven days in which to appeal.

Landlord toasts winner

SCRIPTWRITERS on the forthcoming BBC television serial *Trainer* were presented with a good plot at Brighton yesterday.

Part of the set for the autumn-scheduled programme is the Crown and Horns pub in East Ilsley, Berkshire, where the real-life landlord is Chris Bexx.

He bred and owns Old Speckled Hen, named after a local brew, and following some disappointing recent runs, dropped the filly in class for the Downs Selling Stakes.

There was some hint of drama when intended jockey Willie Ryan didn't arrive in time. But her trainer Martin Fetherston-Godley was more than happy to put Richard Quinn on board and the Scottish jockey set sail for home two furlongs out and was never headed.

Bexx and his regulars were delighted at the 8-1 starting price and a good story to tell their new-found friends from television. "We're pleased to have them around — it helps pay Martin's training fees," Bexx said.

Willie Carson, Brighton's top jockey, chose his mounts wisely on the first of the three-day festival. A 17-1 double came from the stables of Richard Hannon and Dick Hern, both of whom couldn't be in better form.

Hannon continued on from last week's Goodwood successes with Mystical Dancer in the featured Westminster Motor Taxi Insurance Nursery.

Mystical Dancer made the most of an erratic display by the 9-4 favourite Mrs Fisher to lose his maiden certificate.

BRIGHTON

MANDARIN	THUNDERER	MICHAEL SEELY
2.00 Kestrel Forboxes.	2.00 Juvenara.	4.00 Mister Bandit.
2.30 Regal Lover.	2.30 Stinger.	
3.00 Prince Hannibal.	3.00 Prince Hannibal.	
3.30 The Dawn Trader.	3.30 The Dawn Trader.	
4.00 Luvly Jubly.	4.00 Luvly Jubly.	
4.30 Green's Le Sidaner.	4.30 Green's Le Sidaner.	

Our Newmarket Correspondent: 2.30 REGAL LOVER (nap).

GOING: GOOD TO FIRM DRAW: 5F 59YD-6F 209YD, LOW NUMBERS BEST SIS

2.00 STANMER CLAIMING STAKES (£2,508: 7f 214yd) (10 runners)

1	(4)	003230	JUVENARA 12 (CD,F) (R Morecombe) R Hodges 5-9-9	W Carson	92
2	(7)	361623	NIKLAS ANGEL 30 (V,CD,F,G,S) (Winning Post Ltd) M Tompkins 5-9-2	C Hodgson (5)	86
3	(6)	533011	KESTREL FORBOXES 7 (F) (Laurel (Leisure) Ltd) J Berry 3-9-0	Pat Eddery	● 99
4	(8)	050001/	TORRANCE 5J (B,C,F,G) (C Pester) W Williams 7-8-13	J Reid	—
5	(10)	000500	SILENT SISTER 51 (S) (K Higson) A Moore 6-8-9	B Rouse	67
6	(9)	00-0000	PLAYSAYYAF 39 (B) (B Gubby Ltd) B Gubby 3-8-8	J Quinn	—
7	(2)	660005	WILEYS FOLLY 18 (Mrs S Crowe) S Dow 5-8-8	T Quinn	71
8	(1)	3050-00	TENDER KISS 30 (R Bennett) R Bennett 3-8-3	J Curant	75
9	(3)	522456	IRON RED 12 (R Marchant) M Jarvis 3-8-2	Paul Eddery	90
10	(5)	000-50	OUR MARTHA 25 (S Howe) C Benwell 3-8-1	N Adams	92

BETTING: 4-5 Kestrel Forboxes, 7-2 Juvenara, 9-2 Niklas Angel, 8-1 Iron Red, 12-1 Our Martha, 14-1 others.

1990: WILVICK 3-8-6 J Reid (8-1) R Akehurst 10 ran

FORM FOCUS

JUVENARA creditable 5½l 9th of 17 to Stack Rock in a 17-runner handicap at Ascot (6f, good). NIKLAS ANGEL 1½l 3rd of 9 to Morcinda in seller at Edinburgh (7f, good). KESTREL FORBOXES made all to beat Meeson Times 4l in claimer at Carlisle (6f 206yd, firm) on penultimate start, and followed up by beating Yonge Tender 1½l at Catterick (7f, firm). TORRANCE is having first his outing on the Flat since beating Beechwood Cottage 2½l here (7f, firm) in September 1989. Fell two out in a hurdle race at Bangor (2m, good to firm) five days ago. OUR MARTHA 3¾l 5th of 22 to Profit A Prendre in a an amateur riders' handicap at Chepstow (7f 16yd, good).
Selection: KESTREL FORBOXES

2.30 EBF BLACK ROCK MAIDEN STAKES (2-Y-O: £2,407: 6f 209yd) (9 runners)

1	(6)	5	HERO'S LIGHT 11 (F Salman) P Cole 9-0	A Munro	97
2	(4)	00	NATIVE CHIEFTAN 74 (B Nielsen) R Hannon 9-0	R Perham (5)	—
3	(3)	6	REGAL LOVER 29 (A Bridgewater) M Bell 9-0	M Hills	94
4	(8)	20	STINGER 20 (BF) (J Mitchell) C Nelson 9-0	J Reid	● 99
5	(7)	4	SUPER SERENADE 40 (J Maxwell) P Walwyn 9-0	Pat Eddery	84
6	(9)	3	WALK TALL 12 (F Sing Chuen Lui) J Eustace 9-0	R Cochrane	80
7	(1)		WHITE BLADE (K Abdulla) G Harwood 9-0	A Clark	—
8	(2)	5605	IM TELLING YOU MR 26 (J Blackman) J Ffitch-Heyes 8-9	S Whitworth	68
9	(5)	000	KALAMOSS 8 (H Thelwall-Jones) N Mitchell 8-9	T Sprake (5)	—

BETTING: 2-1 Hero's Light, 9-4 Regal Lover, 3-1 White Blade, 11-2 Stinger, 8-1 Walk Tall, 8-1 Super Serenade, 10-1 Native Chieftain, 16-1 others.

1990: TOREL 9-0 B Rouse (7-1) J Dunlop 7 ran

FORM FOCUS

HERO'S LIGHT 6l 5th of 7 to Seattle Rhyme at Ascot (6f, good). Could be open to improvement. NATIVE CHIEFTON 11l 7th of 11 to Spanish Storm at Kempton (6f, good). REGAL LOVER 6¾l 6th of 11 to Providence at Newmarket (7f, good).
STINGER disappointing favourite when 9½l 7th of 13 to Captain Horatius at Sandown (7f 16yd, good to soft). Previously, 3l 2nd of 7 to Tik Fa over the same course and distance (good). SUPER SERENADE 4¾l 4th of 10 to Sir Valid at Bath (5f 11yd, good). Could improve. WALK TALL 5½l 3rd of 7 to Hoon King at Pontefract (6f, good to firm). WHITE BLADE (foaled Feb 13, cost $195,000), by Diesis and the first foal of a Green Dancer mare who won two races as a three-year-old in the United States.
Selection: STINGER

COURSE SPECIALISTS

TRAINERS	Winners	Runners	Per cent	JOCKEYS	Winners	Rides	Per cent
J Berry	7	15	46.7	W Carson	34	176	19.3
G Harwood	26	67	38.8	Pat Eddery	22	117	18.8
M Bell	5	13	38.5	J Reid	30	174	17.2
R Williams	5	24	20.8	M Hills	6	35	17.1
G Balding	5	24	20.8	R Cochrane	19	118	16.1
M Jarvis	6	34	17.6	T Quinn	25	168	14.9

(Not including yesterday's results)

3.00 BTRB HANDICAP (£8,616: 1m 3f 196yd) (5 runners)

1	(2)	431114	PRINCE HANNIBAL 25 (CD,F,G) (D Hunnisett) J Dunlop 4-9-10	W Carson	92
2	(1)	211016	EXPRESS ACCOUNT 4 (D,BF,F,G) (D Wilson) R Williams 4-9-4	J Reid	98
3	(3)	026604	AGE OF MIRACLES 13 (C,F,S) (R Cyzer) C Cyzer 4-9-3	W Newnes	● 99
4	(4)	014	HIDDEN QUEST 65 (D,BF,F) (J Garcia-Roady) G Harwood 3-9-3	R Cochrane	93
5	(5)	30-0263	CHECKPOINT CHARLIE 8 (CD,F,S) J Eustace 6-7-10	Antoinette Armes (7)	89

BETTING: 9-4 Hidden Quest, 5-2 Express Account, 3-1 Prince Hannibal, 6-1 others.

1990: NIGHT-SHIRT 3-9-10 G Duffield (4-7 fav) M Prescott 2 ran

FORM FOCUS

PRINCE HANNIBAL completed treble when comfortably beating Hthaal by 1½l at Haydock (1m 3f 200yd, good to firm) on penultimate start, and was 28l last of 4 to Try Trust at Lingfield (1m 3f 106yd, good to firm) last time out. EXPRESS ACCOUNT beat Quip 1l in a 5-runner race at Thirsk (1m 4f, firm) penultimate start, and was 4¼l 6th of 8 to Persian Soldier over the same course and distance (1m 4f, firm) last time out. AGE OF MIRACLES 2¾l 4th of 9 to Corrin Hill, here, (6f 209yd, good). HIDDEN QUEST easily beat Sid Dancer 2l at Folkestone (1m 4f, firm) on penultimate start, and was 3¾l 4th of 8 to Rare Detail at Leicester (1m 4f, good) last time out.
Selection: HIDDEN QUEST

3.30 BBC RADIO SUSSEX MAIDEN STAKES (£2,204: 6f 209yd) (6 runners)

1	(1)	0505	BRIGHT SEA 53 (C Pester) W Williams 3-8-13	Paul Eddery	● 99
2	(4)	03422	STATE GOVERNOR 13 (M Hill) N Callaghan 3-8-13	Pat Eddery	80
3	(3)	40-265	AELLOPOUS 18 (A Christodoulou) G Harwood 3-8-8	A Clark	81
4	(2)	0-64500	PRINCESS KATIE 44 (A Moore) A Moore 3-8-8	Candy Morris	67
5	(5)	502033	SHOT STOPPER 9 (P Shilton) R Hannon 3-8-8	B Rouse	90
6	(6)	33-208D	THE DAWN TRADER 19 (BF) (G Carroll) M Jarvis 3-8-8	G Crealock	98

BETTING: 7-4 The Dawn Trader, 15-8 Shot Stopper, 7-2 Aellopous, 6-1 State Governor, 14-1 others.

1990: SMOKEY NATIVE 3-8-13 J Reid (15-8) C Nelson 4 ran

FORM FOCUS

BRIGHT SEA 6¼l 5th, weakened 2f out, to Modesto at Sandown (7f, good). STATE GOVERNOR 1½l 2nd to Shakeel at Yarmouth (7f 2yd, good). Previously, 8l 2nd to Herridge at Bath (5f 11yd, good to firm). AELLOPUS 2½l 5th to Lucknam Dreamer at Lingfield (7f, good to firm). Previously, 7¾l 6th to Morgannwg at Chepstow (7f 16yd, good). PRINCESS KATIE never-nearer 5½l 5th to Debjanjo in seller, here, (1m, good to firm) in May. SHOT STOPPER 5l 3rd of 3 to Diamond City at Lingfield (1m 2f, good to firm). Previously, 1¾l 3rd to Vallauris in a handicap at Newbury (1m 2f 6yd, good). THE DAWN TRADER disqualified after beating My Nominee ½l at Thirsk (6f 216yd, firm).
Selection: THE DAWN TRADER

4.00 JIMMY HEAL MEMORIAL TROPHY NURSERY HANDICAP (2-Y-O: £2,836: 5f 59yd) (7 runners)

1	(4)	334136	SIR VALID 8 (B,D,G) (Maclaine Racing) W O'Gorman 9-7	Emma O'Gorman (5)	91
2	(2)	10121	LUVLY JUBLY 23 (D,F,S) (Twenty Four Carat Racing) J Berry 9-4	Pat Eddery	89
3	(7)	240135	MISTER BANDIT 8 (D,G) (F Kalla) N Callaghan 8-9	W Carson	● 99
4	(6)	615643	MYKINDOFMUSIC 11 (D,G) (M Haynes) M Haynes 8-5	T Williams	98
5	(1)	652	ARE YOU SERIOUS 13 (J Ffitch-Heyes) J Ffitch-Heyes 8-3	S Whitworth	90
6	(5)	0030	GOEWIN 13 (T Barker) M Usher 7-7	J Quinn	—
7	(3)	0004	RUSTIC WEDDING 13 (B R B Owners Group (1990) Plc) G Balding 7-7	N Carlisle	94

Long handicap: Rustic Wedding 7-6.

BETTING: 5-2 Lovely Jubly, 3-1 Are You Serious, 4-1 Mister Bandit, 5-1 Sir Valid, 6-1 Mykindofmusic, 10-1 others.

1990: HEAVEN-LIEGH-GREY 9-7 T Quinn (5-4 fav) J Berry 6 ran

FORM FOCUS

SIR VALID 10½l 3rd to Mamma's Too at Bath (5f 11yd, good to firm) on penultimate start, with RUSTIC WEDDING 9½l 7th. Previously, made all to beat Gold Wing neck over same course and distance (good). LUVLY JUBLY beat Glow Of The Glen 2½l in a claimer at Beverley (5f, firm). Previously, 2l 2nd to Farhoime Lads in a claimer at Edinburgh (5f, good). MISTER BANDIT 4l 5th to subsequent winner Wild Honour at Goodwood (5f, good), with SIR VALID (3lb worse off) 1½l 6th, and beat Wild Honour 2l at Folkestone (5f, good) last month. MYKINDOFMUSIC 7l 3rd to Aff at Warwick (5f, good to firm). ARE YOU SERIOUS neck 2nd to Red For Danger in a claimer here (5f 213yd, good), with RUSTIC WEDDING (10lb better off) 5½l 4th and GOEWIN 7th.
Selection: LUVLY JUBLY

4.30 HASSOCKS HANDICAP (3-Y-O: £4,581: 6f 209yd) (5 runners)

1	(4)	214040	HELIOS 8 (CD,F) (Mrs C Painting) R Simpson 9-7	J Reid	● 99
2	(3)	0-2213	YOUNG DUKE 16 (V,CD,F) (C Budd) M McCormack 9-7	W Newnes	92
3	(5)	2221	GREEN'S LE SIDANER 19 (F) (R Green (Fine Paintings)) P Cole 9-6	T Quinn	90
4	(1)	330436	UNVEILED 21 (D,F,G) (Mrs K Burge) R Hodges 9-5	W Carson	94
5	(2)	006012	ABSO 1 (B,C,G) (P Oliver) R Hannon 8-5	Pat Eddery	93

BETTING: 9-4 Green's Le Sidaner, 5-2 Young Duke, 3-1 Abso, 9-2 Unveiled, 7-1 Helios.

1990: MISS TATTING 9-7 W R Swinburn (4-5 fav) C Wall 5 ran

FORM FOCUS

HELIOS 8l 11th of 14 to Issagame at Goodwood (7f, good), and Beat Wish Of Luck 2½l, here, (7f, firm) in May, with ABSO (16lb better off) 7l 6th. YOUNG DUKE 2¾l 3rd of 3 to Sure Victory at Bath (1m 5yd, good to firm). Previously, beat Aellopous 2½l in a maiden, here, (7f, good to firm). GREEN'S LE SIDANER beat No Comebacks 1½l in a maiden at Thirsk (6f, firm). Previously, 4l 2nd to Burslems Joy at Folkestone (6f, soft). UNVEILED never-nearer 4¾l 6th to Deprecator at Sandown (7f 16yd, good to firm). Previously, ¾l 3rd to Maggie Siddons at Bath (5f 161yd, good to firm). ABSO just caught in the final strides when a head 2nd to Ain'tlifelikethat, here, (6f 209yd, good to firm) yesterday.
Selection: YOUNG DUKE (nap)

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MANDARIN	THUNDERER	MICHAEL SEELY
6.00 Bookcase.	6.00 Wings Of Freedom.	7.00 Ameer Dalham.
6.30 Seal Ring.	6.30 Seal Ring.	
7.00 Ameer Dalham.	7.00 Ameer Dalham.	
7.30 Factuelle.	7.30 L'Ete.	
8.00 Akimbo.	8.00 AKIMBO (nap).	
8.30 DASWAKI (nap).	8.30 Loki.	

The Times Private Handicapper's top rating: 8.00 MODESTO.

GOING: GOOD DRAW: 5F-6F, LOW NUMBERS BEST SIS

6.00 LODDON APPRENTICE HANDICAP (£2,742: 1m 4f) (20 runners)

1	(2)	53-5500	CASTLE CLOWN 40 (B,F,S) (Lady Mursford) Lady Herries 6-10-0	Caroline Griffiths (7)	93
2	(8)	30-1033	BOOKCASE 16 (CD,F,S) (Miss R Wakeford) D Elsworth 4-9-13	J Hunter (3)	94
3	(12)	25-1200	FACT OR FICTION 84 (V,D,F) (Miss B Sanders) Miss B Sanders 5-9-9	M Scott (3)	89
4	(9)	3-300	GLANCE OF GOLD 22 (Lady Harrison) G Harwood 3-9-2	J D Smith (3)	91
5	(11)	35333	SKY SENTRY 23 (V) (Sheikh Mohammed) J Gosden 3-9-1	G Hind	94
6	(7)	250301	MUIRFIELD VILLAGE 9 (F) (P Deakin) S Dow 5-8-9	M Jermy (3)	98
7	(15)	000043	WINGS OF FREEDOM 4 (G) (P Savill) G Lewis 3-8-8	S Cairns (3)	91
8	(5)	000400	MR WISHING WELL 7 (S) (S Astaire) R Williams 5-8-6	G Mitchell (7)	—
9	(19)	0430-30	SUNSET ROSE 14 (D,F,G) (P Mellon) I Balding 4-8-2	S O'Gorman	95
10	(14)	4-40626	BRORA ROSE 30 (Mrs S Burley) J Bethell 3-7-13	B Doyle	93
11	(6)	2164-00	LUSTREMAN 13 (F) (Smiths Cleaning Service) M Channon 4-7-13	F Norton	98
12	(17)	35050-1	TAYLOR'S REALM 20 (F,S) (Lime Street Racing) R Akehurst 5-7-12	C Avery (3)	92
13	(18)	403240	MUSICAL NOTE 9 (F) (Lady Page) M Blanshard 4-7-10	A Tucker	94
14	(3)	055336-	WITH GUSTO 235 (M Brunton) K Cunningham-Brown 4-7-8	R Price	93
15	(10)	000145	CLASSIC ACCOUNT 12 (S) (E Reitel) J Akehurst 3-7-7	D Biggs	● 99
16	(16)	6-43006	LA RAPTOTTE 35 (F) (A Wright) M Charles 4-7-7	S Sanders (7)	94
17	(4)	4/00455-	VISION OF WONDER 345J (F,G) (F Carter) J King 7-7-7	D Gibbs (3)	80
18	(20)	000004	SAN ROQUE 20 (F) (C Badser) Miss L Bower 8-7-7	P Turner (3)	86
19	(1)	002-006	TA WARDLE 55 (F) (Cleeve Racing) M Bolton 7-7-7	Antoinette Armes (3)	88
20	(13)	000-0	CORREZE 84 (Mrs G Wood) P Howling 3-7-7	J Fanning	—

Long handicap: Classic Account 7-6, La Raptotte 7-3, Vision Of Wonder 7-0, San Roque 6-11, Ta Wardle 6-11, Correze 6-9.

BETTING: 9-2 Taylor's Realm, 6-1 Wings Of Freedom, 7-1 Bookcase, 8-1 Sky Sentry, 10-1 Lustreman, Muirfield Village, 12-1 Brora Rose, Sunset Rose, 14-1 Classic Account, 16-1 others.

1990: MUSE 3-9-1 I Rogers (4-1) W Hern 13 ran

6.30 LYDE GREEN NURSERY HANDICAP (2-Y-O: £3,067: 6f) (7 runners)

1	(3)	1	SEAL RING 25 (G) (K Abdulla) G Harwood 9-7	Pat Eddery	82
2	(4)	21344	DUTY SERGEANT 18 (F) (W Mann) M Moggeridge 9-2	—	82
3	(2)	361123	WALK IN THE PARK 4 (D,G) (M Lewin) R Simpson 8-4	A Tucker (5)	95
4	(1)	122211	WILD HONOUR 4 (F,G) (Mrs C Haim) W Muir 8-3 (5ex)	S Whitworth	● 99
5	(5)	600011	LOUISA SCARLETT 8 (D,G) (J Robertson) G Lewis 7-13 (5ex)	Paul Eddery	90
6	(7)	01	RED FOR DANGER 13 (G) (J Daniels) A Denson 7-11	A Munro	88
7	(6)	01	BUDDY 11 (G) (E and B Productions (Theatre) Ltd) M Bell 7-7	A Mackay	92

BETTING: 11-4 Seal Ring, 4-1 Wild Honour, 9-2 Walk In The Park, 11-2 Buddy, 6-1 Louisa Scarlett, 8-1 Red For Danger, 10-1 Duty Sergeant.

1990: SUNSET STREET 9-1 M Roberts (4-1) C Brittain 8 ran

COURSE SPECIALISTS

TRAINERS	Winners	Runners	Per cent	JOCKEYS	Winners	Rides	Per cent
B Hills	14	58	24.1	Pat Eddery	45	196	23.0
R Charlton	4	18	22.2	A Munro	14	68	20.6
M Channon	3	15	20.0	S Cauthen	26	149	17.8
P Walwyn	14	75	18.7	R Cochrane	21	127	16.5
G Harwood	12	71	16.9	W Carson	30	206	14.6
W Hern	5	30	16.7	M Hills	6	54	11.1

☐ The Ir£12,000 Platinum Race at Fairyhouse tonight has attracted two British challengers, the Barry Hills-trained Sure Sharp and Alex Scott's Jameelaty (Our Irish Racing Correspondent writes).

7.00 EBF RIVERMEAD MAIDEN STAKES (2-Y-O: £2,700: 7f) (14 runners)

1	(8)	2	AMEER DALHAM 14 (Sheikh Ahmed Al Maktoum) W Hern 9-0	S Cauthen	● 99
2	(12)	065	ANAR 77 (Miss M Kalaji) W Carter 9-0	L Piggott	79
3	(10)		ASSESSOR (B Nielsen) R Hannon 9-0	R Perham (5)	—
4	(2)	0	FLIGHT LIEUTENANT 61 (P & S Lever Partners) P Mitchell 9-0	A Clark	—
5	(11)	0	GIROLAMO 29 (Sheikh Mohammed) G Harwood 9-0	R Cochrane	—
6	(6)	2235	ICY KNIGHT 25 (BF) (Dr C Stelling) C Nelson 9-0	J Reid	88
7	(3)	05500	PADDY'S PASSION 15 (V) (N Bryce-Smith) J Bridger 9-0	N Adams	50
8	(1)		SNOW BOARD (K Abdulla) B Hills 9-0	M Hills	—
9	(9)	05	VIVITZ 14 (M Kerr-Dineen) G Balding 9-0	J Williams	83
10	(14)		WOOLLAND WINSOME (Dame Elisabeth Cauky) C Wildman 9-0	Dale Gibson	—
11	(7)	0	MASONS EXPRESS 128 (The Express Club) Miss B Sanders 8-9	W Newnes	—
12	(13)		MISS JULIEANN (J James) D Laing 8-9	S Whitworth	—
13	(5)		STORM DOVE (K Abdulla) R Charlton 8-9	Pat Eddery	—
14	(4)	60	URARAGSKAL 74 (A Speake) J Akehurst 8-9	T Williams	—

BETTING: 4-6 Ameer Dalham, 11-4 Storm Dove, 7-1 Icy Knight, 10-1 Assessor, 12-1 Girolamo, 14-1 others.

1990: SEA LEVEL 9-0 Pat Eddery (6-5 fav) B Hills 15 ran

7.30 SHEPPERTON HANDICAP (£2,989: 5f) (10 runners)

1	(8)	10-0400	CHILIBOY 9 (B,D,F) (Mrs H Heinz) J Dunlop 4-9-12	W Carson	92
2	(2)	2D-3405	SLIP-A-SNIP 46 (D,F) (Whitcombe Racing Ltd) G Balding 4-9-7	Tracey Purseglove (7)	92
3	(7)	000600	JOE SUGDEN 8 (D,F,G,S) (J Amass) P Howling 7-8-3	A Munro	90
4	(3)	400325	SAINT NAVARRO 8 (D,F,G) (C Hill) C Hill 6-8-10	J Reid	92
5	(6)	002510	CONSULATE 13 (D,G,S) (R Parker) J Balding 5-8-10	R Cochrane	92
6	(10)	223221	FACTUELLE 12 (CD,G,S) (R Hamer) M Fetherston-Godley 4-8-6	Pat Eddery	94
7	(9)	000006	L'ETE 4 (D,G) (Mrs K Clark) P Mitchell 3-8-5	S O'Gorman (3)	91
8	(1)	020050	SHADES OF JADE 7 (W Wood) J Bridger 3-7-13	T Williams	98
9	(4)	444-022	FRIMLEY DANCER 23 (BF) (C Hill) C Hill 3-7-12	A Mackay	98
10	(5)	660252	SAINT SYSTEMS 4 (D,F,G,S) (C Hill) C Hill 5-7-10	N Adams	● 99

BETTING: 7-2 Factuelle, 9-2 Frimley Dancer, 5-1 Slip-A-Snip, 6-1 Saint Navarro, 7-1 Joe Sugden, 10-1 others.

1990: SLOE BERRY 4-8-9 M Roberts (7-1) C Brittain 13 ran

8.00 KEMERTON CLAIMING STAKES (£3,199: 1m 2f) (17 runners)

1	(6)	400323	AKIMBO 30 (F,G) (Mrs D Weatherby) C Nelson 4-9-1	J Reid	89
2	(1)	016225	CHARMING GIFT 12 (BF,F) (Mrs M Linney) R Williams 4-8-10	R Cochrane	77
3	(17)	400-002	WILLESDON 9 (B) (Mrs V Palmer) A Barrow 7-8-8	N Adams	72
4	(12)	0-06024	CHARCOAL BURNER 9 (BF,F) (R Ewin) B Millman 6-8-7	G Baxter	75
5	(11)	003630	MOLLY SPLASH 13 (R Cyzer) C Cyzer 4-8-6	T Quinn	70
6	(8)	5011-00	FLUIDITY 14 (V) (R Eamer) J Gosden 3-8-4	G Hind	80
7	(14)	4-104	MODESTO 14 (B,G) (K Abdulla) B Hills 3-8-4	Pat Eddery	● 99
8	(9)	00-0060	STRIDE HOME 25 (B,D,F,S) (P Taplin) M Madgwick 6-8-4	R Price (5)	62
9	(3)	00005-0	VINTON VA 16 (S) (R Bennett) R Bennett 6-8-4	Emma Boxer (7)	61
10	(10)	60400	ABINGDON FLYER 18 (J Nichols) R Hannon 3-8-2	—	78
11	(2)	030055	CAVIAR QUEEN 11 (Amity Finance Ltd) C Cyzer 3-8-2	S Whitworth	72
12	(13)	000601	MADAM JAC 9 (D,F) (C Clarke) R Akehurst 5-8-2	A Munro	72
13	(4)	60-6160	SLICK CHERRY 16 (D,F,G) (H Redknapp) D Elsworth 4-8-2	W Carson	89
14	(16)	0-50301	FANCY ME 19 (D,G) (H W Stockmast) W Jarvis 3-7-13	A McGlone	79
15	(5)		SKIP-A-NOTE (T Maher) R Curtis 3-7-13	G Carter	—
16	(15)	066601	SCARED STIFF 22 (G) (M Kerr-Dineen) G Balding 3-7-8	Dale Gibson	77
17	(7)	06-0	JANE'S FANTASY 9 (C Black) M Usher 3-7-7	F Norton (5)	—

BETTING: 4-1 Modesto, 5-1 Akimbo, 6-1 Fluidity, 7-1 Slick Cherry, 8-1 Fancy Me, 10-1 Scared Stiff, 12-1 others.

1990: AKDAM 5-9-7 T Quinn (1-2 fav) R Johnson Houghton 8 ran

8.30 BECKFORD HANDICAP (3-Y-O: £3,535: 1m) (15 runners)

1	(5)	106	DANUBE 88 (D,G) (Mrs G Dunlop) C Williams 9-7	Pat Eddery	90
2	(3)	0D0226	LOKI 11 (B,F) (T Laidlaw) G Lewis 9-4	Paul Eddery	96
3	(8)	000021	DASWAKI 8 (D,F,S) (D Allen) R Hannon 9-2 (5ex)	B Rouse	96
4	(2)	005431	AFFORDABLE 22 (G) (Miss M Kalaji) W Carter 9-12	L Piggott	92
5	(13)	416234	CIBOURE 8 (D,F,G) (T Barker) M Usher 8-10	M Wigham	94
6	(6)	060016	EL DOMINIO 12 (D,G,S) (M Brunton) K Cunningham-Brown 8-10	R Price (5)	96
7	(10)	540-005	AGHNIYAH 21 (F) (H Al-Maktoum) P Walwyn 8-8	W Carson	95
8	(8)	030009	PRETTY POPPY 9 (F) (R Lamb) A Denson 8-7	T Quinn	88
9	(11)	694	DASHING APRIL 18 (Mrs J Copp) D Thom 8-5	J Williams	94
10	(7)	4000	EL PERSA 21 (K Nicklin) G Harwood 8-3	R Cochrane	97
11	(12)	0462	CHAMPENOISE 28 (B Simpson) P Makin 8-1	A Munro	97
12	(1)	000201	MAI PEN RAI 8 (D,F,S) (C Hill) C Hill 8-1	N Adams	95
13	(15)	301066	BEAU DADA 16 (D,F,G) (J Clarke) J White 8-1	F Norton (5)	● 99
14	(4)	55-306	DUTCH CZARINA 44 (L Fuller) Miss B Sanders 8-0	G Carter	87
15	(14)	005-500	PAY TO DREAM 28 (M Jaye) J Sutcliffe 7-8	J Quinn	81

BETTING: 3-1 Daswaki, 9-2 Loki, 11-2 Mai Pen Rai, 7-1 Aghniyah, 8-1 Champenoise, Affordable, 10-1 others.

1990: YOU KNOW THE RULES 8-5 Pat Eddery (100-30 fav) M Channon 14 ran

PONTEFRACT

MANDARIN

2.45 Sword's Point. 3.15 Plain Fact. 3.45 Altaia. 4.15 Threshfield. 4.45 Feeling Foolish. 5.15 Vado Via. 5.45 Harmonious.

THUNDERER

2.45 Cathos. 3.15 Sigama. 3.45 Breezy Day. 4.15 Well Furnished. 4.45 Chicard. 5.15 Vado Via. 5.45 Appealing Times.

Michael Seely: 4.15 THRESHFIELD (nap).

Our Newmarket Correspondent: 4.45 Chicard. 5.45 Appealing Times.

GOING: GOOD TO FIRM SIS
DRAW: 5F-6F, LOW NUMBERS BEST

2.45 HYDE SPORTING PROMOTIONS LADIES HANDICAP (£3,392: 1m 2f 6yd) (19 runners)

1	0342	*SWORD'S POINT 18 I Balding 3-11-7*	*Clare Balding 8*
2	0601	CATHOS 8 (CD,F,G,S) D Wilson 6-11-6 (5ex)	Elaine Bronson 17
3	00-6	STAR LEADER 130J (F) R Hollinshead 4-11-0	Rosalind Wittle (3) 16
4	6530	AUDE LA BELLE 32 A Scott 3-11-0	Shelley Dalton (3) 11
5	4001	LONGSHOREMAN 13 (B,F,G) M Bell 4-10-11	Tara Dudley-Smith (3) 19
6	-026	STAY AWAKE 68J (F,G,S) J J O'Neill 5-10-10	Susan Nichol (3) 14
7	2-04	SUNSET REINS FREE 23 (V,G,S) E Alston 6-10-10	Maxine Juster 1
8	0515	CROSBY PLACE 25 (B,D,F,S) M Haynes 5-10-6	Yvonne Haynes 12
9	-000	SPRING TERN 25 (B) G Harwood 3-10-5	Amanda Harwood 3
10	3143	PHALAROPE 14 (D,G) M H Easterby 3-10-3	Sarah Easterby 9
11	5234	SHAWINIGA 5 (F,G,S) J S Wilson 5-10-2	Lois Leggatt 2
12	0312	JOLIZAL 9 (G) D Morris 3-10-0	Linda Crofts 4
13	0000	DANCING DAYS 8 (B,CD,G) J Parkes 5-9-13	— 6
14	1152	TOP VILLAIN 54 (D,BF,F) A Turnell 5-9-13	Louise Turnell (3) 5
15	0000	BURFORD 27 (F) D R Tucker 4-9-12	Susie Rowe (3) 15
16	6024	SPANISH WHISPER 38 (F) J Bostock 4-9-11	Lydia Pearce 7
17	0005	JUST FOR KICKS 18 (S) J J O'Neill 5-9-9	Nicky Craggs 18
18	5401	SAVILLE WAY 16 (B,D,F) W Musson 4-9-6	Judy Musson 10
19	-000	AMAZAKE 27 (B) B Cambidge 4-9-3	Hazel Noonan 13

11-2 Sword's Point, 6-1 Cathos, 7-1 Longshoreman, 8-1 Top Villain, Spanish Whisper, 10-1 Sunset Reins Free, 12-1 others.

3.15 CUDWORTH CLAIMING STAKES (£2,385: 5f) (6)

1	3011	OUR FAN 21 (CD,F,G,S) J Berry 5-9-4	J Carroll 6
2	4400	SIGAMA 11 (CD,BF,F) F Lee 5-9-4	R Lappin 5
3	1310	PLAIN FACT 8 (D,F,G,S) M Prescott 6-8-11	G Duffield 3
4	6451	METAL BOYS 8 (D,F,G) R Hollinshead 4-8-10	S Perks 4
5	0800	PETITE ELITE 15 (B) Jimmy Fitzgerald 4-7-11	J Lowe 1
6	0	VERY BOLD 114 P Evans 3-7-8	L Charnock 2

9-4 Metal Boys, 11-4 Our Fan, 3-1 Plain Fact, 4-1 Sigama, 25-1 Petite Elite, 50-1 Very Bold.

COURSE SPECIALISTS

TRAINERS: G Harwood, 5 winners from 13 runners, 38.5%; J Hills, 3 from 10, 30.0%; W O'Gorman, 5 from 20, 25.0%; J J O'Neill, 3 from 12, 25.0%; W Jarvis, 4 from 18, 22.2%; I Balding, 6 from 29, 20.7%.

JOCKEYS: J Carroll, 16 winners from 89 rides, 18.0%; R Lappin, 4 from 23, 17.4%; K Darley, 18 from 121, 14.9%; J Fortune, 8 from 56, 14.3%; K Fallon, 9 from 68, 13.2%; R Hills, 5 from 39, 12.8%.

3.45 POMFRET HANDICAP (£4,620: 5f) (12)

1	6021	LOVE RETURNED 16 (D,F,G,S) W Jarvis 4-10-0	M Tebbutt 5
2	0330	ALTAIA 8 (F) W Haggas 4-9-6	N Day 8
3	3153	CRYSTAL JACK 14 (D,F,G) F Lee 3-9-6	S Perks 3
4	3142	*BREEZY DAY 18 (D,G,S) B McMahon 5-9-6*	*G Duffield 7*
5	3042	SAMSOLOM 13 (D,F) J Glover 3-9-1	R Hills 12
6	1030	DIET 2 (V,CD,F,G,S) J S Wilson 5-9-1	J Fortune 9
7	6303	FIDDLING 29 (D,F) Mrs J Ramsden 4-9-0	Dean McKeown 11
8	2100	MAID WELCOME 63 (B,CD,F) Mrs N Macauley 4-8-12	J Marshall (7) 1
9	6350	MISS EL ARAB 18 (D,F,G) E Alston 3-8-7	K Fallon 4
10	4-03	SHARP ANNE 7 (CD,F,G) J Berry 4-8-6	J Carroll 10
11	-001	SEAMERE 9 (B,CD,F,G) B Cambidge 8-8-4 (7ex)	J Lowe 6
12	2332	CHAPLINS CLUB 12 (B,CD,F,G,S) D Chapman 11-8-1	K Darley 2

9-2 Fiddling, 5-1 Altaia, 6-1 Crystal Jack, 7-1 Breezy Day, 8-1 Sharp Anne, Chaplins Club, 10-1 Love Returned, 12-1 others

4.15 JIM GUNDILL MEMORIAL HANDICAP (£3,002: 1m 4yd) (10)

1	3053	REGENT LAD 8 (D,F,G) Miss L Siddall 7-10-0	K Darley 4
2	0033	WELL FURNISHED 23 (D,F,G) A Scott 4-9-13	J Fortune 6
3	056-	SPURNED 284 (F) I Balding 4-9-11	A Cruz 5
4	0101	THRESHFIELD 21 (D,F) B Curley 5-8-13	— 3
5	0560	YOUNG JASON 4 (CD,F,G) F Lee 8-8-12	S Perks 7
6	1316	SALBYNG 18 (D,G,S) J Hills 3-8-7	G Duffield 8
7	0065	STAR NEWS 12 (C,F) M Tompkins 3-8-6	R Hills 10
8	006	KING OF CHANCE 105 Mrs J Ramsden 3-8-3	Dean McKeown 1
9	6526	NORQUAY 21 (D,F,G,S) N Tinkler 6-7-8	Kim Tinkler 2
10	0056	EAST BARNS 12 (D,F) J Wainwright 3-7-7	L Charnock 9

7-2 Threshfield, 4-1 Regent Lad, 5-1 Well Furnished, 6-1 Salbyng, 7-1 Young Jason, 8-1 Spurned, 10-1 others

4.45 TATTERSALLS MAIDEN AUCTION SERIES STAKES (2-Y-O. £2,831: 6f) (9)

1	0	MONBODDO 18 J J O'Neill 8-11	A Culhane 8
2	303	MANULIFE 22 W Pearce 8-10	G Duffield 4
3	43	BILLY BLAZER 64 (BF) M Tompkins 8-9	K Darley 5
4	0	LAUREL CONNECTION 22 J Berry 8-8	J Carroll 7
5	005	SLANDERINTHESTRAND 18 Denys Smith 8-8	K Fallon 3
6	020	HOT PUNCH 50 P Calver 8-7	S Perks 2
7	2	FEELING FOOLISH 21 S Norton 8-5	O Pears (7) 1
8	2	CHICARD 14 W Jarvis 8-2	J Lowe 6
9	5	KAYS BROWN SUGAR 8 R Whitaker 8-0	P Burke 9

7-2 Chicard, 4-1 Feeling Foolish, 9-2 Billy Blazer, 6-1 Manulife, 7-1 Slanderinthestrand, 10-1 Hot Punch, 14-1 others

5.15 GO RACING IN YORKSHIRE HANDICAP (£2,406: 1m 4f 8yd) (9)

1	6214	DUGGAN 2 (D,F,G) R Williams 4-9-10	— 7
2	1254	THIMBALINA 21 (D,BF,F,G,S) S Norton 5-9-3	O Pears (7) 1
3	2226	HIGHLAND PARK 20 (D,BF,F) Mrs G Reveley 5-8-4	J Lowe 4
4	4051	VADO VIA 14 (D,F) Mrs J Ramsden 3-8-3	Dean McKeown 2
5	0013	SARSTA GRAI 12 (F) R Earnshaw 3-8-2	M Birch 9
6	5130	LODGING 8 (B,D,BF,F) G Oldroyd 4-8-1	B McGiff 5
7	0405	SPRINGDALE HALL 22 M W Easterby 3-8-1	K Darley 6
8	0000	PHOTO CALL 18 (B,F) M Jarvis 4-7-11	R Fox 3
9	0040	BOLLIN MAGDALENE 20 (V) M H Easterby 3-7-7	S Maloney (3) 8

3-1 Vado Via, 4-1 Duggan, 5-1 Highland Park, 6-1 Lodging, Springdale Hall, 8-1 Sarsta Grai, 10-1 Thimbalina, 12-1 others.

5.45 EBF FEATHERSTONE MAIDEN STAKES (2-Y-O: £2,709: 6f) (7)

1		APPEALING TIMES W O'Gorman 9-0	T Ives 2
2		BROUGHPARK AZALEA J J O'Neill 9-0	K Fallon 4
3	66	MASTER HYDE 20 P Mitchell 9-0	G Duffield 5
4	6	RHYTHMIC ECHO 30 J Berry 9-0	J Carroll 6
5	56	SCOTTISH RUBY 21 (BF) C Tinkler 9-0	M Birch 1
6	5	STAPLETON 9 J Watts 9-0	Dean McKeown 3
7	5	HARMONIOUS 28 I Balding 8-9	A Cruz 7

5-2 Appealing Times, 7-2 Master Hyde, 4-1 Scottish Ruby, 6-1 Harmonious, 7-1 Stapleton, 10-1 others.

DEVON

MANDARIN

2.20 Ever Smile. 2.50 Sno Marque. 3.20 Driving Force. 3.50 Stage Player. 4.20 Refute. 4.50 Stanway.

THUNDERER

2.20 Ever Smile. 2.50 Sno Marque. 3.20 Driving Force. 3.50 Fashion Princess. 4.20 Refute. 4.50 Frosty Reception.

GOING: FIRM, HARD PATCHES (CHASE COURSE); FIRM (HURDLES)

2.20 STELLA ARTOIS NOVICES HURDLE (£1,404: 2m 3f) (6 runners)

1	R/0-	WHASSAT 23F M Muggeridge 7-10-12	W Irvine
2		EVER SMILE 50F M Pipe 4-10-9	P Scudamore
3	04F-	MYHAMET 113 (B) P Hobbs 4-10-9	Peter Hobbs
4		FLYING JOKER 1139F S Horn 6-10-7	Mrs C Wonnacott
5	5PP-	FALLOW DEER 23F D Wintle 4-10-4	A Carroll
6	3F2-	TAMISE 9F J White 4-10-4	R Guest

Evens Ever Smile, 3-1 Myhamet, 4-1 Tamise, 8-1 Flying Joker, 16-1 Whassat, 20-1 Fallow Deer.

2.50 TROPHY BITTER NOVICES HURDLE (3-Y-O: £1,350: 2m 1f) (3)

1	3	FATHER FIGURE 4 J White 10-12	A Webb
2		SNO MARQUE 12F A Reid 10-12	R Guest
3		SANDHURST TYPE 28F A Chamberlain 10-7	Lorna Vincent

11-8 Sno Marque, 7-4 Father Figure, 9-4 Sandhurst Type.

3.20 MURPHY'S IRISH STOUT NOVICES CHASE (£2,518: 2m 3f) (9)

1	403-	CASINO MAGIC 72 J Spearing 7-11-0	S J O'Neill
2	P61/	FATHER JOHN 449 (F) M Muggeridge 7-11-0	W Irvine
3	285-	PLAGUE O' RATS 67 (C,F) R Frost 7-11-0	J Frost
4	004/	WEST FAILTE 8820 J Roberts 12-11-0	L Harvey
5	135-	BLAKE'S PROGRESS 67 (B,F) M Pipe 5-10-10	P Scudamore
6	0P-	CHERRYGROVE 14F R Curtis 5-10-10	D Morris
7	02-2	DRIVING FORCE 5 (C,F) M McCourt 5-10-10	G McCourt
8	0P/	JUNIOR LANCASTER 575 T Hallett 6-10-9	A Webb
9	008-	AVONMOUTHSECRETARY 187 (F) R Holder 5-10-5	N Mann

5-2 Driving Force, 100-30 Blake's Progress, 4-1 Plague O'Rats, 6-1 Avonmouthsecretary, 8-1 Casino Magic, 10-1 others.

3.50 BODDINGTON'S BITTER CLAIMING HURDLE (£1,523: 2m 3f) (7)

1	25-2	STAGE PLAYER 4 (BF,F) R Simpson 5-11-5	P Scudamore
2	P0-U	FALSE ARREST 2 W G Turner 9-10-13	S Earle
3	265-	NORSTOCK 68 J White 4-10-12	A Webb
4	FF1-	FASHION PRINCESS 9F (CD,F) Mrs A Knight 5-10-11	G Knight
5	00-6	VICTORIA'S DELIGHT 2 Mrs P Joynes 4-10-7	D Bridgwater (5)
6	000-	SWINGTIME BELLE 40F (F) M Muggeridge 4-10-6	W Irvine
7	F0-P	ROSCOES DINKY 5 (B) W G M Turner 4-10-4	H Davies

11-4 Norstock, 3-1 Fashion Princess, 9-2 Stage Player, 6-1 Victoria's Delight, 8-1 Swingtime Belle, 10-1 others.

4.20 HEINEKEN HANDICAP CHASE (£2,716: 2m 6f) (4)

1	410/	REFUTE 390 (F,G,S) M Pipe 9-12-0	P Scudamore
2	14-2	KARNATAK 4 (CD,BF,F) Mrs P Joynes 10-11-4	D Bridgwater (5)
3	UPP-	RUGGED SPIRIT 72 (C,F) S Turton 11-10-5	G Upton
4	221-	PLAYPEN 72 (F) R Frost 7-10-2	J Frost

13-8 Refute, 2-1 Playpen, 3-1 Karnatak, 7-1 Rugged Spirit

4.50 WHITBREAD BEST BITTER HANDICAP HURDLE (£2,634: 2m 1f) (5)

1	310-	SOUTH SANDS 160 (B,CD,F,G) P Leach 5-11-10	H Davies
2	43F-	XHAI 9F (B,F) R Simpson 9-11-6	W Morris
3	421-	STANWAY 27F (F) Mrs P Joynes 4-10-12	D Bridgwater (5)
4	531-	FROSTY RECEPTION 72 (B,CD,F) J Baker 6-10-11	N Coleman
5	251-	TODA 72 (F,S) R Juckes 4-10-10	M A Fitzgerald (7)

6-4 South Sands, 9-4 Stanway, 100-30 Toda, 6-1 Frosty Reception, 12-1 Xhai

COURSE SPECIALISTS

TRAINERS: M Pipe, 74 winners from 197 runners, 37.6%; J White, 3 from 11, 27.3%; J Baker, 13 from 73, 17.8%; P Hobbs, 20 from 113, 17.7%; R Frost, 13 from 87, 14.9%

JOCKEYS: P Scudamore, 61 winners from 131 rides, 46.6%; Mrs C Wonnacott, 4 from 16, 25.0%; Lorna Vincent, 6 from 28, 21.4%; G Upton, 4 from 19, 21.1%; J Frost, 21 from 112, 18.8%; R Guest, 11 from 67, 16.4%

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YESTERDAY'S RESULTS

Brighton

Going: good to firm

2.00 (1m 1f 209yd) 1, OLD SPECKLED HEN (T Quinn, 8-1); 2, Rocquaine Bay (W Newnes, 12-1); 3, Thin Red Line (G Baxter, 100-30). ALSO RAN: 5-4 fav Lady Baraka (6th), 6 Mistral Girl, 25 Normead Lass (5th), 33 Euro Mark, 50 Ramrod, Rosudgeon, Slipcalom (4th). 10 ran. NR: Amaani. 2l, ¾l, 2½l, 1l, 2l. M Fetherston-Godley at East Ilsley. Tote: £8.50; £1.70, £2.60, £1.20. DF: £59.20. CSF: £84.00. No bid.

2.30 (5f 59yd) 1, MISS VAXETTE (A Munro, 4-1); 2, Great Hall (J Williams, 33-1); 3, Rockbourne (R Hills, 2-1 jt-fav). ALSO RAN: 2 jt-fav Mint Addition (4th), 5 Son Of Schula (5th). 5 ran. 1l, ¾l, 7l, 8l. J Spearing at Alcester. Tote: £5.90; £1.90, £2.60 DF: £42.10. CSF: £50.92.

3.00 (6f 209yd) 1, MYSTICAL DANCER (W Carson, 5-1); 2, Mrs Fisher (G Duffield, 9-4 fav); 3, Crackling (Antoinette Armes, 16-1). ALSO RAN: 11-4 Simply-H (6th), 7 Tenacity (5th), 15-2 Juldee, 8 Primus (4th), 33 Slight Risk. 8 ran. NR: Master Planner. Hd, 5l, 1½l, 4l, ¾l. R Hannon at East Everleigh. Tote: £4.60; £1.70, £1.10, £2.50. DF: £7.40. CSF: £16.37. Tricast: £153.46.

3.30 (7f 214yd) 1, FITAHL (R Hills, 9-2); 2, Shaima (J Fortune, 11-8); 3, Democratic (A Munro, 6-5 fav). 3 ran. ½l, 2½l. H Thomson Jones at Newmarket. Tote: £4.90 DF: £2.60 CSF: £9.29

4.00 (1m 4f) 1, SUJAAL (W Carson, 2-1 fav); 2, Fitness Fanatic (N Adams, 25-1); 3, Henley Regatta (J Williams, 10-1). ALSO RAN: 11-2 Vermont Magic (4th), 7 Sudeley, 8 Solid Steel, 9 Tarmon (5th), 11 Harbour Knight, 12 Bold Resolution (6th). 9 ran. ½l, ¾l, sh hd, 4l, 1½l. W Hern at Lambourn. Tote: £3.10; £1.10, £4.10, £3.40. DF: £37.90. CSF: £39.12. Tricast: £352.97

4.30 (6f 209yd) 1, AIN'TLIFELIKETHAT (G Carter, 5-1); 2, Abso (J Reid, 6-1); 3, Maria Cappuccini (S O'Gorman, 14-1). ALSO RAN 100-30 fav Halawa, 5 Royal Resort, 10 My Ruby Ring (4th), 12 Northern Nation (5th), 14 Candle King, Viceroy Gem, 20 Aragon Court (6th), 33 Sunburst Princess. 11 ran. Hd, 2½l, 1½l, 2l, 2l. T Naughton at Epsom. Tote: £4.90; £1.70, £2.40, £3.70 DF: £10.60. CSF: £31.62. Tricast: £354.10.

Placepot: £3,378.70 (0.35 winning tickets. Pool of £2,968.06 carried forward to Brighton today).

Redcar

Going: good

2.15 (1m 1f) 1, Dancing Monarch (S Parks, 6-4 fav, Private Handicapper's top rating); 2, Acquisition (12-1). 3, Petvara (10-1) 11 ran. 2½l, 2l. R Hollinshead. Tote: £2.40; £1.10, £2.10, £2.60. DF £8.50 CSF: £19.32

2.45 (2m 4yd) 1, Bye Bye Baby (Pat Eddery, 5-4 fav), 2, J P Morgan (15-8); 3, Flass Vale (5-1). 7 ran. 4l, 2l. S Dow. Tote £2.20; £1.80, £1.20. DF: £2.70 CSF £3.85

3.15 (1m 3f) 1, Nazmiah (J Lowe, 4-1); 2, Sure Sign (15-8 fav); 3, Choral Sundown (14-1). 6 ran. 1½l, ½l. A Hide. Tote: £4.40; £1.50, £1.80. DF: £4.50. CSF £11.57.

3.45 (1m) 1, Inseyab (J Fanning, 15-8 fav); 2, American Hero (5-2); 3, Luks Akura (12-1). 5 ran. 3½l, 3½l. P Haslam. Tote £2.50; £1.30, £1.50. DF. £4.00 CSF: £6.42.

4.15 (7f) 1, Love Jazz (K Darley, 5-1); 2, Cumbrian Challenge (14-1); 3, Phil-Man (5-1). Simply George 9-4 fav 9 ran. 3l, 2½l. T Barron. Tote. £5.60; £1.10, £4.30, £1.80. DF £45.40. CSF £80.76. Tricast: £331.31 After a stewards' enquiry the result stood

4.45 (6f) 1, Colway Bold (Dean McKeown, 7-4 jt-fav). 2, Gold Desert (Pat Eddery, 7-4 jt-fav), 3, Manocure Express (20-1) 4 ran. 3l, 10l. J Watts. Tote £2.70; £2.30 DF £1.20 CSF: £2.61 Sammy Slow withdrawn, not under orders — rule 4 applies to all bets, deduction 25p in pound

Placepot: £47.80.

Nottingham

Going: good to firm

5.45 (2m 9yd) 1, Merton Mill (B Raymond, 5-1); 2, Glenstal Priory (6-1), 3, Fight To Win (4-1 fav) 12 ran. Nk, 10l. D Morley. Tote. £6.80; £2.40, £2.50, £1.90. DF: £11.90 CSF £36.05. Tricast: £126.02.

6.15 (5f 13yd) 1, Kabcast (W Carson, 6-4 fav), 2, Sweet Tassa (9-1); 3, King Victor (16-1). 11 ran 2½l, 1½l D Chapman Tote £2.60; £1.20, £2.60, £2.90 DF £9.10 CSF £16.04 Tricast: £156.30

MONDAY'S LATE RESULTS

Nottingham

Going: good to firm

6.45 (5f 15yd) 1, Olette (G Carter, 7-4 fav), 2, Oak Apple (15-2), 3, Felsen (25-1) 12 ran. Sh hd, 5l. G Wragg. Tote: £3.20; £1.50, £2.80, £9.50. DF: £15.60. CSF £15.38.

7.15 (6f 15yd) 1, Red Rosein (G Carter, 5-1 jt-fav); 3, Baligay (14-1); 3, Bold Angel (7-1) Allaares 5-1 jt-fav 15 ran ½l, 1½l J H Wilson. Tote: £5.40; £2.20, £3.20, £2.40. DF. £34.80 CSF £67.77 Tricast: £451.51

7.45 (1m 54yd) 1, Great Hand (G Carter, 16-1); 2, Chart Cross (25-1), 3, Sandmoor Denim (20-1), 3, Glenscar (14-1), Pytchley Night 11-2 fav 19 ran. ¾l, 2½l D Wilson. Tote: £21.80; £3.20, £4.80, £3.40, £2.70 DF £163.10 CSF: £361.71 Tricast: £7089.53 Brother Ray finished second, but after a stewards' enquiry was disqualified and placed last.

8.15 (2m 9yd) 1, Hello My Darling (S Whitworth, 4-6 fav), 2, Shuffle (2-1), 3, Cornhill Melody (6-1). 3 ran. ½l, 30l W Muir Tote: £1.70. DF. £1.40. CSF: £2.17

Placepot £226.80.

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Alan Lee, Cricket Correspondent, detects a degree of relief in the greatest batsman of his generation as he prepares for his final Test

The magnificent Richards ready to end an era

THIS time next week, Vivian Richards's Test career will be over. Five months short of his fortieth birthday, he will return to his island home in Antigua and begin a new life in politics. "It is time," he said yesterday, "to get away from the fantasy side of things and to put back a little of what I have learned."

Despite a steady stream of letters beseeching him to change his mind, despite rippling fitness and irrepressible batting form, Richards is intent that the Test which begins at The Oval tomorrow will be his 121st and last. "Cricket," he said, "cannot go on forever. I am grateful that it has opened up the avenues for me to pursue a certain course."

That course will take him into the maelstrom of Caribbean politics, at first in a relatively small way in his own Antiguan constituency, where he has long been badgered by friends and neighbours to stand for them. He speaks of helping to tackle the issues of corruption that have infested his island and, by inference, insulted the good name of himself and his family. Then, who knows, he could be a politician on a wider stage. Right now, he is unwilling to rule anything out, but he has that look of fervour in his eye of which bowlers have grown to be wary.

And so the greatest batsman of his generation will bid farewell, if not in the most fitting setting of the Antiguan Recreation Ground where he learned the game, then on a wholly appropriate stage. It was, after all, at The Oval in 1976 that Richards scored 291, still the biggest of his 24 Test centuries, and it is within the singular claustrophobia created by the gasometers, the red-brick housing and the rush of city traffic that he commands unwavering adulation from the many Caribbean expatriates.

He will be sad tomorrow morning, probably a shade moved by the endless well-wishers who will inevitably shadow his every move. But it is possible, listening to him, to detect a degree of relief, too. Since 1974, when he first came to England to join Somerset, he has played cricket non-stop for 18 years. Even for a man of such passion, there is a limit.

He admits finding motivation more elusive these days. He admits, too, that the burden of captaining West Indies since 1986 has weighed heavily on him. Touching his head, which was balding long before the clippers were applied in the spring, he smiles slowly. "Without the captaincy, maybe just batting at No. 3 with no pressure on me, I would still have had lots of hair."

Richards was relaxed yesterday, as he has been virtually throughout his final tour. On its very first day, he pledged it would be the goodwill tour and he has been as good as his word.

Has this been the real Richards? Or were his true colours exposed by the spasmodic incidents, on and off the field, which now he would undoubtedly wish to forget, by the finger-flapping fury which many believed could intimidate umpires and the strutting swagger and sinister stare which undeniably intimidated bowlers? Is he essentially a peace-lover or a man who likes to live above authority?

He gave a closer insight yesterday, seated in The Oval pavilion, casual shirt over gold chain and bracelet, the latter inscribed with his enduring nickname, Smokey. He reflected on his childhood, on his father, to whom he credits so much, and on the Christian religion, which was bred into him and which he still values highly.

"My father was like a prophet, or so it seemed to me. Most things he said to me would come true. He was a great reader of the bible and he would mark off passages or phrases and quote them to me at an appropriate moment. Whenever I spoke to him, I always felt there was hope."

In one of his earliest representative games on Antigua, when only 16, Richards caused a crowd riot by refusing to walk when given out to a catch behind. He was banned from cricket for two years for his dissent. He recalls, in the midst of that character-forming incident, looking up at the jail which looms over the Antigua ground. His father was superintendent there, and Viv's instant reaction was to look to him for guidance or reproach.

He can only recall once defying his father and that was on the matter of a course in electrical engineering. The family wished Viv to take it; he wished to play cricket in England. Cricket won, and it has dominated his public life, if not his private perceptions, ever since.

Richards names Brian Close, then the Somerset captain, as his first English influence. "My cricket was all flash-bang at the time. Brian had strong words for that." Characteristically, for throughout his life he has delighted in putting down detractors, he thrives on memories of those who airily dismissed him as a cavalier who hit across the line. Typically, too, he does not name any of his own innings as his greatest cricketing memory, but a team triumph.

"I have always wanted to be an individual who had a national anthem behind him, like an athlete at the Olympics, standing on the victory rostrum. The closest I came to that was when we won the World Cup for the first time in 1975. That will live with me for ever."

Next spring in Australasia, Richards plans to play in one more World Cup before leaving the international stage for good. But for a man who has always believed Test cricket to be the ultimate examination, this week sees the famous final scene.

Old master: Richards in 1991, still a devastating batsman

Young master: Richards as he was in 1974, driving during his outstanding first tour of England

VIVIAN RICHARDS

Born: Isaac Vivian Alexander Richards, March 7, 1952, St John's, Antigua.

First-class career details: 1972: Debut for Leeward Islands. 1974: Joined Somerset. First century. Test debut v India. First Test century. 1976: Played one season for Queensland. 1979: Helped Somerset to first trophies, the Gillette Cup and Sunday League championship. 1981: Appointed captain of West Indies. 1986: Dismissed by Somerset. 1988: Became first West Indian to score 100 hundreds. 1990: Joined Glamorgan. 1991: Became leading scorer in Tests for West Indies.

Record: For West Indies: 24 centuries in 120 Tests. Honours: World Cup wins in 1975 and 1979. For Somerset: 47 centuries. Honours: 1979: Gillette Cup. Sunday League. 1981: Benson and Hedges Cup. 1982: Benson and Hedges Cup. 1983: NatWest Trophy. For Glamorgan: 7 centuries.

Essex fumble but keep control

By Jack Bailey

DERBY (first day of three: Essex won toss): Essex, with all wickets in hand, are 150 runs behind Derbyshire

MATCHES between Derbyshire and Essex when played in the Midlands have been known to finish well inside the regulation hours. This one may be different. But on the evidence of yesterday, when Essex employed three seamers in bowling out Derbyshire for 180 runs, it will be largely interference by the weather that causes this match to go the distance.

A late start and several rain-inspired interruptions meant that 53 overs were lost. Otherwise, we could well be halfway towards a result already.

For Essex, the brisk medium pace of Topley was a potent weapon in conditions which aided swing and seam. He kept the ball up and moved it about. Although occasionally expensive at the hands of Morris and Adams, he served his side well with five wickets for 79 runs on a day when neither Foster nor Andrew bowled as well as they would have liked. What with Seymour and Stephenson surviving the last half hour, it was Essex's day; not that it always looked like that.

The pitch was grassy, the atmosphere thick. A seam bowler's paradise, you would have thought, although for a time it seemed as though the chief aim Essex had in mind was to let their hosts down as lightly as possible.

There was Foster bowling off his short run and bowling short and wide. At the other end, Andrew's line, a couple of feet outside the off stump, could have been calculated to make certain that Barnett and Bowler became accustomed to the pace of the pitch and the movement off it.

When the bowling did slip into some sort of attacking groove, the fielders took over the role of comfort makers. All in all, six catches were dropped during a first session which lasted ten minutes under three hours.

Barnett, Morris twice, O'Gorman, Adams and Malcolm were the beneficiaries. Fortunately for Essex, the Derbyshire batsmen ensured that there was another chance waiting just round the corner and enough of these were taken to avoid undue embarrassment.

In fact Derbyshire seemed only to anxious to return the compliment.

No sooner had Barnett been spilled at long leg — he had just treated himself to three fours through the covers off Foster — than Foster surprised him with a straight one. Morris failed to benefit greatly from two palpable chances in the thirties. O'Gorman dropped by Hussain, of all people, at second slip on 25, did not add to his score, and so it went on.

Only Adams, dropped when three, took advantage by going on to 37 before being brilliantly caught and bowled by Topley.

☐ Glamorgan, who are releasing five players at the end of the season, including batsman Ian Smith, are also dispensing with the services of their assistant coach, Don Shepherd.

Sri Lankans suffer a pre-Test blow

By Geoffrey Wheeler

WITH the Lord's Test match just over three weeks away, the Sri Lankans suffered a blow to morale at Bristol yesterday when they were bowled out for 97 by Gloucestershire, after an opening partnership of 44. Martin Gerrard, a left-arm seamer from Bristol club cricket, was largely responsible for the collapse with a spell of four wickets for three runs in 22 balls.

That the touring team were able to stay in the match was due largely to the all-round efforts of Ratnayake. He hit four fours and a six in an over from Gilbert, and then took five wickets as Gloucestershire struggled to 166 for nine, held together by Alleyne's 70 not out.

Worcestershire dismissed the top five Somerset batsmen for 113 at Weston-super-Mare but a spirited seventh wicket partnership of 93 between Burns, the wicketkeeper, and Lefebvre repaired much of the damage.

Marsh, Kent's wicketkeeper batsman, who was also captain in the absence of Benson, made the top score of 73 in a total of 290 against Hampshire at Canterbury, while Leicestershire enjoyed rare batting success at Grace Road, where Boon and Briers put on 219 for the first wicket against Yorkshire in four hours, both completing centuries.

BOWLS

Bessell's return to form lifts Yeovil

By David Rhys Jones

EDNA Bessell, aged 43, a medical secretary from Yeovil, began to stamp her authority on the Liverpool Victoria English Women's Bowling Association national championships at Royal Leamington Spa yesterday, when hers was the first triple to reach the semi-finals.

Having qualified for the championships in all five big events, her performance in the pairs and two-wood singles last week was a little disappointing. But after skipping Mary Taylor and Margaret Fellows to three convincing wins on Monday, she moved into top gear.

If, against Kearnsey, skipped by Ann Harrison, Yeovil seemed vulnerable, they, at least, kept their composure long enough to scrape home, 15-14, with a well-taken count of three on the last end. When they met Greenhill, of Dorset, skipped by June Searle, who won the triples title in 1981, Yeovil motored to a comfortable 18-9 victory.

Pat Launders, of Cambridge Park, skipped Hilda Tully and Jean Staple to a surprisingly emphatic 24-7 win over the favourites, Chris Webb, Lilian Smith and Jayne Roylance, of North Walsham, before reaching the last four with an impressive 19-12 victory over Marjorie Bousfield's Darlington triple.

Sybil Green, Audrey Dodge and Paulene Maskrey, of Wallingford, edged through with an extra end single over Betty Midlam's Sherwood triple, the 1989 runners-up.

Irene Molyneux, of Oxford, one of England's most successful players, struggled to beat Falcon, Chelmsford, but secured a semi-final place after a trouble-free encounter with Daisy Parker's Nailsey triple.

SCORES: Triples: Third round: Yeovil (E Bessell) bt Kearsney, Dover (A Harrison), 15-14; Greenhill, Weymouth (J Searle) bt Sandown, IOW (R Kableen), 27-5; East Park, Darlington (M Bousfield) bt Crediton, Devon (C Theadom), 18-16; Cambridge Park, Twickenham (P Launders) bt North Walsham (J Roylance), 24-7; Oxford C and C (I Molyneux) bt Falcon Chelmsford (P Harris), 17-15; Nailsea, Somerset (D Parker) bt Bickford Smith, Cornwall (P Shears), 16-13; Wallingford (P Maskrey) bt Perkins, Peterborough (J Evans), 16-15; Sherwood, Notts (S Offer) bt Bushey (B Farr), 18-16. Quarter-finals: Yeovil bt Greenhill, Weymouth, 18-9; Cambridge Park, Twickenham bt East Park, Darlington, 19-12; Oxford C and C bt Nailsea, 21-11; Wallingford bt Sherwood, Nottingham, 14-13.

Stanley shines after a deluge dampens day

By Richard Streeton

LYTHAM ST ANNES (first day of three; Northamptonshire won toss): Northamptonshire have scored 88 for two wickets against Lancashire

IT WAS wretched luck for the local club, after all their preparatory efforts, that more rain fell in the area for 12 hours from 10pm on Monday night than Lytham St Annes has had the entire summer. Herculean efforts by the groundstaff, though, enabled a start to be made at 5pm and there was time for Neil Stanley, a Northamptonshire newcomer, to hit a brisk half-century.

Stanley hit eight fours as he reached the milestone from 56 balls. He was missed at 18 in the gully by Mendis against Austin and played some edged strokes. It was a spirited effort, however, by a young man who missed last season with a back injury.

Stanley, aged 23, making only his second first-team appearance this year, showed no signs of nerves after Northamptonshire were 20 for two after seven overs.

The club has laid a new pitch for the championship fixture here and the odd ball kept a shade low. This was partly responsible for Larkins falling leg-before to Allott in the sixth over. Fordham edged a catch to second slip in the next over.

Stanley was in no way perturbed and struck the ball forcefully, while a more subdued Lamb twice had to have the pain-killing spray after being hit on the hand by Allott.

Lancashire, needing to win this match to keep title hopes alive, are missing Atherton and DeFreitas, in the Test team, and Hughes, Wasim Akram and Watkinson, all afflicted by a virus doing the rounds.

Four Tests in Caribbean

THE England A cricketers will play three four-day "Tests" against West Indies A on next winter's Caribbean tour.

The tour party will also play two three-day games and launch the six-week trip with three matches against Bermuda.

Steve Coverdale, the Northamptonshire chief executive, is the tour manager.

ITINERARY: Feb 18: Bermuda (two days); Feb 22: Bermuda (one day); Feb 25: Bermuda (one day); Feb 27: Bermuda (one day); Mar 4: Barbados (one day); Mar 6: Windward Islands (three days); Mar 10: Trinidad and Tobago (three days); Mar 14: First Test, Port of Spain (four days); Mar 21: Second Test, Grenada (four days); Mar 28: Third Test, Barbados (four days).

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YESTERDAY'S SCOREBOARDS

Britannic Assurance county championship

Derbyshire v Essex

DERBY (first day of three; Essex won toss): Essex, with all first-innings wickets in hand, are 150 runs behind Derbyshire

DERBYSHIRE: First Innings

*K J Barnett b Foster	16
P D Bowler c Knight b Andrew	6
J E Morris c Garnham b Topley	35
T J G O'Gorman b Topley	25
S C Goldsmith c Garnham b Andrew	3
C J Adams c and b Topley	37
†K M Krikken lbw b Foster	9
D G Cork c Garnham b Topley	3
S J Base c Childs b Topley	11
D E Malcolm c Seymour b Foster	10
O H Mortensen not out	2
Extras (lb 11, w 2, nb 10)	23
Total (45.2 overs)	180

FALL OF WICKETS: 1-18, 2-35, 3-81, 4-95, 5-112, 6-150, 7-150, 8-154, 9-173.

BOWLING: Foster 14-2-57-3; Andrew 14-4-33-2; Topley 17.2-1-79-5.

ESSEX: First Innings

A C Seymour not out	20
J P Stephenson not out	8
Extras (nb 2)	2
Total (no wkt, 8 overs)	30

P J Prichard, Salim Malik, N Hussain, †M A Garnham, *N A Foster, T D Topley, S J W Andrew, J H Childs and N V Knight to bat.

Bonus points: Derbyshire 1, Essex 4.

Umpires: R A White and P B Wight.

Kent v Hampshire

CANTERBURY (first day of three; Kent won toss): Hampshire, with nine first-innings wickets in hand, are 271 runs behind Kent

KENT: First Innings

T R Ward c Aymes b Shine	65
V J Wells c Middleton b Shine	1
N R Taylor b Connor	24
G R Cowdrey c Terry b Shine	16
M V Fleming lbw b Ayling	12
R M Ellison not out	61
*†S A Marsh c Gower b Ayling	73
R P Davis c Gower b Connor	27
C Penn run out	3
T A Merrick lbw b Connor	0
A P Igglesden run out	1
Extras (lb 1, w 1, nb 5)	7
Total (99.3 overs)	290

FALL OF WICKETS: 1-10, 2-76, 3-104, 4-121, 5-121, 6-236, 7-282, 8-287, 9-287.

BOWLING: Shine 18-3-75-3; Connor 22-5-57-3; James 13-2-35-0; Ayling 22-1-64-2; Maru 24.3-6-58-0

HAMPSHIRE: First Innings

V P Terry not out	6
C L Smith c Marsh b Merrick	10
T C Middleton not out	2
Extras (lb 1)	1
Total (1 wkt, 7 overs)	19

K D James, *M C J Nicholas, D I Gower, J R Ayling, †A N Aymes, R J Maru, C A Connor and K J Shine to bat.

FALL OF WICKET: 1-17.

Bonus points: Kent 3, Hampshire 4.

Umpires: J C Balderstone and K J Lyons.

Leics v Yorks

LEICESTER (first day of three; Yorkshire won toss): Leicestershire have scored 225 for one wicket against Yorkshire

LEICESTERSHIRE: First Innings

T J Boon c Kellett b M A Robinson	102
*N E Briers not out	108
J J Whitaker not out	5
Extras (lb 5, nb 5)	10
Total (1 wkt, 79 overs)	225

P N Hepworth, L Potter, J D R Benson, †P Whitticase, D J Millns, J N Maguire, A D Mullally and C Wilkinson to bat.

FALL OF WICKET: 1-219.

YORKSHIRE: *M D Moxon, A A Metcalfe, D Byas, †R J Blakey, P E Robinson, S A Kellett, P Carrick, C S Pickles, P J Hartley, J D Batty and M A Robinson.

Bonus points: Leicestershire 2, Yorkshire 0.

Umpires: J D Bond and D O Oslear.

Sussex v Notts

EASTBOURNE (first day of three; Nottinghamshire won toss): Nottinghamshire have scored 356 for four wickets against Sussex

NOTTINGHAMSHIRE: First Innings

B C Broad c Salisbury b Dodemaide	158
P R Pollard c Moores b Pigott	13
*R T Robinson b Jones	95
D W Randall b Salisbury	26
P Johnson not out	33
K P Evans not out	22
Extras (lb 7, nb 2)	9
Total (4 wkts)	358

Score after 100 overs: 335-4.

F D Stephenson, †B N French, E E Hemmings, R A Pick and J A Afford to bat.

FALL OF WICKETS: 1-34, 2-226, 3-269, 4-321.

SUSSEX: D M Smith, N J Lenham, *P W G Parker, A P Wells, M P Speight, A C S Pigott, A I C Dodemaide, †P Moores, I D K Salisbury, B T P Donelan and A N Jones.

Bonus points: Nottinghamshire 4, Sussex 1.

Umpires: D R Shepherd and R Palmer.

Somerset v Worcs

WESTON-SUPER-MARE (first day of three; Somerset won toss): Somerset have scored 251 for six wickets against Worcestershire

SOMERSET: First Innings

S J Cook c Moody b Lampitt	37
P M Roebuck lbw b Newport	11
A N Hayhurst lbw b Radford	40
*C J Tavaré c D'Oliveira b Lampitt	10
R J Harden c Hick b Radford	0
†N D Burns not out	59
G D Rose lbw b Newport	12
R P Lefebvre not out	64
Extras (b 2, lb 4, w 1, nb 11)	18
Total (6 wkts, 81 overs)	251

J C Hallett, D A Graveney and H R J Trump to bat.

FALL OF WICKETS: 1-25, 2-83, 3-97, 4-98, 5-113, 6-158.

WORCESTERSHIRE: *T S Curtis, P Bent, G A Hick, T M Moody, D B D'Oliveira, †S J Rhodes, S R Lampitt, R K Illingworth, P J Newport, N V Radford and R D Stemp.

Bonus points: Somerset 3, Worcestershire 2.

Umpires: B Hassan and B J Meyer.

Lancs v Northants

LYTHAM (first day of three; Northamptonshire won toss): Northamptonshire have scored 88 for two wickets against Lancashire

NORTHAMPTONSHIRE: First Innings

A Fordham c Allott b Martin	10
W Larkins lbw b Allott	10
N A Stanley not out	51
*A J Lamb not out	17
Total (2 wkts, 24 overs)	88

K M Curran, E A E Baptiste, A L Penberthy, A R Roberts, †D Ripley, N G B Cook and J P Taylor to bat.

FALL OF WICKETS: 1-18, 2-20.

LANCASHIRE: G D Mendis, G Fowler, G D Lloyd, *N H Fairbrother, N J Speak, J D Fitton, †W K Hegg, G Yates, I D Austin, P J W Allott and P J Martin.

Umpires: A A Jones and A G T Whitehead.

Tetley Challenge

Gloucs v Sri Lankans

BRISTOL (first day of three; Gloucestershire won toss): Gloucestershire, with one first-innings wicket in hand, are 69 runs ahead of Sri Lankans

SRI LANKANS: First Innings

R S Mahanama c Hancock b Gerrard	28
D S B P Kuruppu c Russell b Gilbert	17
†H P Tillekaratne c Ball b Gerrard	9
U C Hathurusinghe b Gerrard	0
S T Jayasuriya lbw b Gilbert	3
*A P Gurusinha c Ball b Gerrard	0
R S Kaluwitharana run out	6
R J Ratnayake b Gilbert	27
M A W R Madurusinghe c Russell b Babington	4
F S Ahangama not out	0
M Muralidaran c Ball b Gilbert	0
Extras (lb 3)	3
Total	97

FALL OF WICKETS: 1-44, 2-46, 3-52, 4-57, 5-57, 6-59, 7-69, 8-97, 9-97.

BOWLING: Gilbert 12.3-1-63-4; Babington 10-4-15-1; Gerrard 10-2-20-4; Ball 1-0-6-0.

GLOUCESTERSHIRE: First Innings

R J Scott c Hathurusinghe b Gurusinha	8
A J Hunt c Tillekaratne b Ratnayake	3
*A J Wright lbw b Ratnayake	47
C W J Athey c Kuruppu b Ratnayake	6
M W Alleyne not out	70
T H C Hancock c Tillekaratne b Ahangama	1
†R C Russell lbw b Ratnayake	2
M C J Ball c Madurusinghe	1
D R Gilbert c Kaluwitharana b Madurusinghe	5
A M Babington b Ratnayake	0
M J Gerrard not out	0
Extras (b 4, lb 6, w 2, nb 11)	23
Total (9 wkts)	166

FALL OF WICKETS: 1-6, 2-40, 3-51, 4-89, 5-90, 6-117, 7-120, 8-154, 9-158.

Umpires: B Leadbeater and G A Stickley.

TODAY'S FIXTURES

Tour match

11.00, 96 overs minimum

BRISTOL: Gloucestershire v Sri Lankans.

Britannic Assurance county championship

11.00, 110 overs minimum

DERBY: Derbyshire v Essex.

CANTERBURY: Kent v Hampshire.

LYTHAM: Lancashire v Northamptonshire.

LEICESTER: Leicestershire v Yorkshire.

WESTON-SUPER-MARE: Somerset v Worcestershire.

EASTBOURNE: Sussex v Nottinghamshire.

EDGBASTON: Warwickshire v Surrey.

MINOR COUNTIES CHAMPIONSHIP: Dorchester: Dorset v Cornwall. Finchampstead: Berkshire v Cheshire. Mildenhall: Suffolk v Staffordshire.

RAPID CRICKETLINE SECOND XI CHAMPIONSHIP: Ammanford: Glamorgan v Northamptonshire. Chelmsford: Essex v Lancashire. Guildford: Surrey v Warwickshire. Headingley: Yorkshire v Sussex. Southampton: Hampshire v Kent. Taunton: Somerset v Gloucestershire. Watford: Middlesex v Nottinghamshire. Worcester: Worcestershire v Leicestershire

SPORT FOR THE DISABLED

Hatt and Mistry denied in final

By Jane Wyatt

BRITISH tennis squads have performed well in two international tournaments, held in this country with support from the Lawn Tennis Association Trust. The Dresse and Maere Cups, the premier events in the deaf tennis calendar, were held at the Queenswood Tennis Centre in Hatfield, while the second British open wheelchair tennis championships took place at Bishops Park in Fulham.

In the men's open singles at Fulham, Chip Turner, of the United States, who is the world's No. 4 wheelchair player, beat Mick Connell, No. 3 seed, from Australia, 2-6, 6-3, 6-4 in the final. The British men were defeated earlier, but in the doubles, Simon Hatt and Jayant Mistry, fought a brilliant semi-final against the No. 2 seeds, Thierry Caillier and Pierre Fusade, of France, to win 3-6, 6-3, 9-7. However, they were beaten in a tough final by Kai Schrameyer, of Germany, and Martin Legner, of Austria.

The semi-final defeat of Chantal Vandierendonk, from The Netherlands, the women's No. 1 seed, by Daniella Di Toro, aged 16, from Australia, 6-3, 7-6 was notable, although she was beaten in the final by Monique Vandenbosch, another Dutch player, 6-3, 6-1.

In the Maere cup, the British women, Helen Schofield, Fiona Rosie, and the 1991 singles champion, Sally-Ann Vaterlaws, were beaten by the defending champions, Italy, 3-0. It was Britain's best performance since winning the title in 1972.

Sidney Falconer, aged 15, the 1991 British deaf men's singles champion, was unable to lift his team above fifth place in the Dresse Cup.

Italy saw the end of their 27-year domination of the event, convincingly beaten in the final by Germany 3-0.

Many of Britain's leading able-bodied and disabled table tennis players will be competing together at the Rivermead Leisure Centre in Reading this weekend. A hundred players are expected to attend the multi-disability BSAD national table tennis championships.

Mishaps at the start affect the British chances in the Admiral's Cup yachting series in Christchurch Bay

Americans close to within touching distance of Italians

By BARRY PICKTHALL

ITALY retained their lead in the Admiral's Cup series, but the day belonged to the Americans after their three-boat team finished top scorers in yesterday's Champagne Mumm trophy race in Christchurch Bay to close the gap to within 0.6 of a point.

It was not a day the British will care to remember. Lawrie Smith's One Tonner, Port Pendennis, was one of four yachts recalled for jumping the start gun and the Wings of Oracle crew, joined yesterday by Charles Pitcher, who replaced the bowman, Simon Ling, who was injured during Monday's race, turned back unnecessarily after believing they too were over the line early.

That, coupled with an average performance from Mike Peacock's 50-footer, Juno, which finished fourth, after dropping two places during the 28-mile Olympic-style race, left Britain languishing fourth on the day behind the United States, Italy and Germany.

The Port Pendennis crew fought back in the brisk 20-knot conditions to finish fourth in their class but Oracle's misery at finishing fifth could be made worse if two protests alleging that she hit the second weather mark, lead to a penalty.

"We are optimistic," Iain MacDonald Smith, the team director, said last night. "We are certain that Oracle's spinnaker did not touch the mark and will be defending the accusations from the French and Australians vigorously."

However bullish Britain's team management was about the incident, the skipper, Stuart Childerely, could not hide his disappointment at Oracle's performance. Talking about his decision to return to the start, giving his rivals a 500-yard start, he said: "We thought we could have been over the line; we had the opportunity to go back quickly and took it, thinking it was better safe than sorry. The committee gave out the recall numbers very late, a minute after the start. It was the boats all around us who were called back. We then spent the race catching up again."

Smith and his crew were pushed over by the Danish yacht, Zurich, which was also recalled.

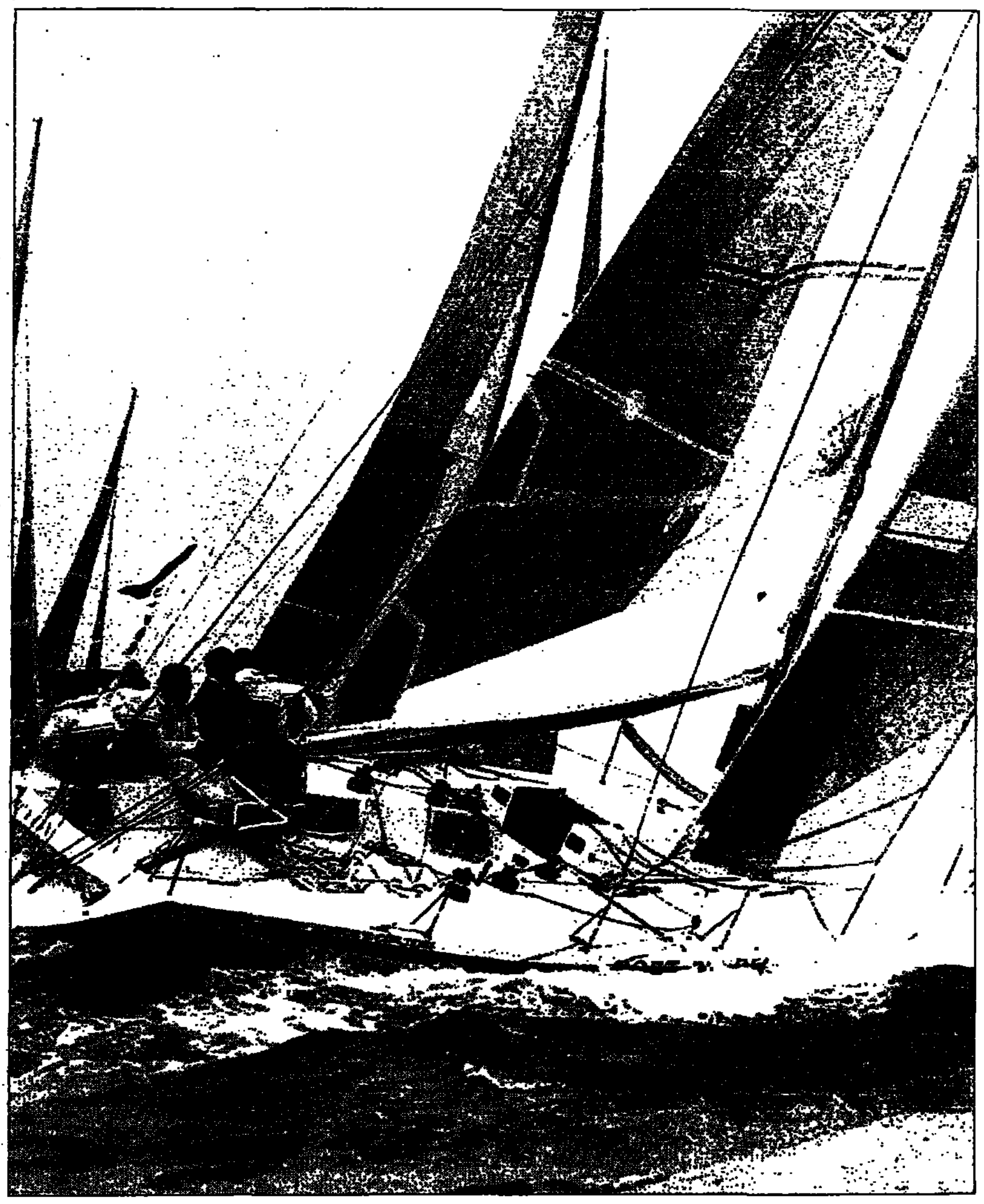
"There was a great bulge of boats over the line and a 50/50 chance of a general recall. They did well to catch back up to fourth by the weather mark," MacDonald Smith said after the race.

Will, of Japan, with Eddie Warden-Owen calling tactics, led the 50-foot fleet from start to finish, while Unibank, of Denmark, counted her second Two-Ton class victory in succession as did Vibes in the One-Ton class, which put Dave Clarke's American yacht top of the individual points standings.

This, coupled with a third from Champosa in the 50-foot fleet and a fourth placing for Bravura among the Two-Tonners, gave the American team a 2.25-point advantage over Italy, whose yachts finished with a two, three, five scoreline.

Britain ended the day with 14 points to retain third place, six points behind Italy.

Today is a rest-day in the Champagne Mumm series, giving crews a chance to relax before tomorrow's 40-mile long inshore race in Hayling Bay and the start of the 605-mile Fastnet classic on Saturday.



ADMIRAL'S CUP RESULTS

CHAMPAGNE MUMM TROPHY: 50ft class: 1, Will (T Toya, Japan); 2, Corum Saphir (P Mas, Fr); 3, Champosa VII (K Worthington, US); 4, Juno V (M McIntyre, GB); 5, Mandrake Krizia (G Carriero, It).
Two Ton: 1, Unibank (V Greulich, Den); 2, Larouge (L Bortolotti, It); 3, Rubin XII (R Reemtsma, Ger); 4, Bravura (R Towse, US); 5, Wings of Oracle (S Childerley, GB).
One Ton: 1, Vibes (D Clarke, US); 2, ABAP/4 (H Plattner, Ger); 3, Brava (F de Angelis, It); 4, Port Pendennis (L Smith, GB); 5, Zurich Forsikring (J Hoest, Den).

Teams positions: 1, USA (third in 50ft, fourth in Two Ton, first in One Ton), 19.25pts; 2, Italy (5, 2, 3), 17; 3, Germany (7, 3, 2), 15; 4, Britain (4, 5, 4), 14; 5, Denmark (8, 1, 5), 13.25.

Overall positions (after 4 races): 1, Italy, 80.38pts; 2, United States, 79.88; 3, Britain, 74.38; 4, Germany, 64; 5, France, 58.5; 6, Denmark, 56; 7, Japan, 37.25; 8, Australia, 29.5.

Wind in Atkinson sail

Ron Atkinson has discovered at the end of the day that it is all about getting the wind in the back of the sail. Atkinson, together with Annabel Croft, Patrick Mower, Tim Brooke-Taylor and Phil Read, was taking part in a celebrity Ultra 30 race in aid of the children's charity, Sparks.

The not-inconsiderable figure of the new Aston Villa manager had to hit the ground running, race across the marina and leap into a motor launch, which whisked him off to the Royal Yacht Squadron. There he got his first taste of racing aboard the spartan but speedy Ultra helmed by Derek Clark. Having completed the race course, the celebrities had to risk a soaking and grab the winners' flag from the support vessel.

But, as any true sportsman will tell you, it's not the winning that matters, it is the taking part and, having raised £5,000 for charity, win, lose or draw the boys — and girl — done good, Brian.

The Contessa 32s have been celebrating in style at the Royal Yacht Squadron with a birthday party to mark the 20th anniversary of the class. The Princess Royal had been due to cut the cake but, called away to another engagement, not even her absence could dampen the jollifications. The 32s are a race apart among the Contessa family. With nearly 50 entries in this week's regatta they qualify as a class of their own and despite being in production since 1971 their popularity is still growing.

The basic design of the yacht has not changed over the years although it could have disappeared from the scene 10 years ago.

Originally built by Jeremy Rogers, his company went into receivership at the beginning of the eighties, but while the company folded the moulds were saved to preserve the ever-popular Contessa and guarantee its survival.

There were no celebrations however for Jeffrey Wilkins. He came to Cowes with high hopes of his new Flying 15, Foxford. But in his first race he collided with another competitor, gouging a hole in his topsides.

Patched up and undeterred, he headed out again on the second day only to lose his mast in a argument with a Victory. Wilkins has now decided that discretion is the better part of valour and has taken the new, if slightly dog-eared, Foxford home.

ALIX RAMSAY

RESULTS FROM COWES

Royal Yacht Squadron Regatta

IOR Class 1 (Bathsheba Trophy): 1, Strunje V (D Schafer); 2, Red Stripe (D Wood); 3, Advocate (J Taylor). CHS Class 2 (Aisher Salver): 1, Yellow and Blue Sogea (A Furic); 2, Bounder (C Little); 3, Warlord (P Tolhurst). Class 3 (De Mass Cup): 1, Apriori (J Dare); 2, Fiona of Burnham (D Geaves); 3, Sandettie (K Krygeman). Class 4 (Queen Victoria Salver): 1, Nokomis (S Lawrence); 2, Diversity (C Marsh); 3, Flair II (J MacGregor). CHS Class 5 (Palamedes Lighthouse Trophy): 1, Once Again (J Samzun); 2, Wildfire (P Handley); 3, The Youth Challenge (J Humphries). CHS Class 6: 1, Trocar (D Monro-Kerr); 2, Jam Jam (D Kalverkamp); 3, Camelot of Wessex (R Lawes).

SCOD YM (Teapot Trophy): 1, Tegeh (P Simmonds); 2, Tio Pepe (P Rooke); 3, Tuonela (R Harding). Swallow (Tomahawk Trophy): 1, Echo (C Body); 2, Marengo (M Ewart-Smith); 3, Boomerang (J Buckwell). Mermaid (Pamela Snagge Trophy): 1, Adestra (N Dobbs); 2, Scuttle (R French); 3, Zara (R Holbrook). XOD (Howles Bowl): 1, Wenda (P Baines); 2, Silhouette (D Kunha); 3, Magic Dragon (J Oddie). Squib (Lapsang Tea Tray): 1, Perfection (J Gubby); 2, *Satu (R Hewitt); 3, Atom (G Jordan).* Victory (Courage Barclay Trophy): 1, Steadfast (B Middleditch); 2, Nada (N Benham); 3, Kestrel (K Cush).

Lightwave: 1, Marionette (C Dunning); 2, Expedite (J Eldridge); 3, Parthia (P Fairlie-Clarke). Sigma 38 (Camrose Memorial Trophy): 1, Impudence (M Strang); 2, Arbitrator (M Crotty); 3, Wayward (D May). Sigma 33 (Dunelm Trophy): 1, Blaze (W McNeill); 2, Obsession (C Sandison); 3, Chaser (K Trench). Contessa 32 (Pollock Trophy): 1, Red Apple (M Jaffe); 2, Gauntlett (A Soanes); 3, Roulette Of Beaulieu (J Matthews). J24 (Creighton Trophy): 1, Distraction (A Beany); 2, Fuzzy Duck (P Woodman); 3, Smokey Joe (J Clarke). *Sonata: 1, An'Meloo (C Ratsey);* 2, Aeolian (J Dudley); 3, Cadenza (J Froy). Daring (Raymond Trophy): 1, Dauntless (P Porter); 2, Damsel (J Sheldon); 3, Darius (T Parr and C Caws).

Etchells (Chisholm Cup): 1, Vashti Of Cowes (Sir Maurice Laing); 2, Flamboyant (C Jago); 3, Full Pelt (S Fein). Dragon (Nairnby-Luxmoore Trophy): 1, Danish Blue (P Jensen); 2, Domino (P Morton); 3, Monica (I Coryn). Redwing (Brabazon Trophy):

1, Lady Laetitia (E de Kort); 2, Curlew (J Cuddigan); 3, Redstart II (J Janson). Sunbeam (Pera Messervy Trophy): 1, Symphony (D McGregor); 2, Honey (W Dickson); *3, Query (J Oldham). Flying* 15 (Hayling Hull Trophy): 1, Flawless (I Coryn); 2, Ffiipinhek (J Corby); 3, Forrader (D Rutherford).

Some verdicts are reversed by jury

By ALIX RAMSAY

CATCHING up with what has really happened at Land-Rover Cowes Week is no simple matter. After the chaotic day of racing on Monday, when 100 yachts were disqualified, the race committee jury yesterday published the final results in which many of the boats had been reinstated.

The Duke of Edinburgh will have been pleased with the final analysis. He had crossed the line in ninth place, been disqualified and then reinstated in sixth place on Yeoman XXVIII. Out on the water again yesterday, he could not match that performance, coming 13th in the Camrose Memorial Trophy.

The Sigma 38, owned by Malcolm Strang, came in half a minute ahead of Arbitrator to lift the trophy for the second year running.

With the conditions proving too rough for many of the smaller boats, several Redwings and Dragons came to grief and had to be towed back for repair. However, some yachts were stopped before they started. Highlander and Bellerophon, two Sigma 38s, collided while crossing on opposite tacks. Both were dismasted.

One Dragon, Danish Blue, managed to avoid the trouble under the guidance of Poul-Richard Hoj-Jensen. He took his second win of the week, beating Domino, owned by Peter Morton, by 53 seconds. These two boats seem to have the Dragon class sewn up, each having won twice.

In the CHS Class 4, Jim MacGregor's run of success came to an end. After three victories on Flair II, he had to be happy with third place, as Stephen Lawrence came home a healthy four minutes ahead of the chasing pack.

Richards subject of illegal offer

By PETER BILLS

THE England forward, Dean Richards, is one of several Leicester players to have received substantial offers to play for other midlands clubs next season. These are the latest examples of inducements offered to leading players in rugby union to switch clubs.

News of the illegal approach to Richards and his colleagues was made public by his club director of coaching, Tony Russ, in a fiercely critical appraisal of the growing influence of money and associated inducements in the game.

Russ has highlighted an increasingly disturbing trend within what claims to remain an amateur sport. It is his clear contention that the fundamental principles of the amateur code are being eroded and therefore legislation from Twickenham must be brought in to protect the amateur ethos. Russ revealed that at least 15 Leicester players had been approached to join other clubs this summer.

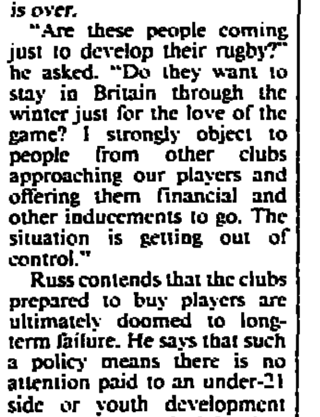
"The situation had become so bad that the week leading up to the August 1 deadline [for players registering their availability for league matches] was a nightmare. Every time the phone went, you thought 'who is it now?' I could name 15 of our players approached and offered inducements to play for other midlands clubs this summer alone. And those are only the ones who have told me about it. There are bound to be others.

"*Everybody is trying to buy* immediate success in the game. They seek to achieve short-term gain and I am strongly against it. The financial aspect of it is frightening.

"It is the people behind the scenes at clubs who are responsible. I see nothing wrong in asking a player whether he would like to join another club. That is the right of any club at any time. After all, we do that from time to time. But what we will not *offer a player is any inducement* which is not the case generally today.

"Another player in our squad was offered £150 a match if he joined another club, and I know of two England internationals who were promised a five-figure sum if they switched clubs last season."

A club like Leicester, which adheres strictly to the amateur code, is deeply concerned at this trend. Gloucester officials also expressed their unease last season at similar trends that affected their club. Russ is also unhappy at the overseas players, such as thoswe from New Zealand, who have provisionally agreed to join English clubs once the World Cup is over.



Richards: large offer

"Are these people coming just to develop their rugby?" he asked. "Do they want to stay in Britain through the winter just for the love of the game? I strongly object to people from other clubs approaching our players and offering them financial and other inducements to go. The situation is getting out of control."

Russ contends that the clubs prepared to buy players are ultimately doomed to long-term failure. He says that such a policy means there is no attention paid to an under-21 side or youth development programme at such clubs: thus he sees no long-term future for them.

"Clubs such as these will come up fast and go down fast," he said. "In my view, it is no coincidence that the best clubs in England have some continuity and spend time on developing players, getting the best out of them."

However, to put a brake on the accelerating process of recruitment by means quite illegal within the constitution of the sport, Russ advocates legislation by Twickenham. The same thing happened in France a few years ago, he pointed out, and he warned: "It won't be long before we have to bring in something like the ruling the French have. Over there, if you change clubs, you cannot play for a year. Something must be done here to make it harder for clubs to attract players for the wrong reasons."

England is not the only target for overseas players wishing to play rugby this winter. Michael Lynagh, David Campese and Willie Offahengaue, of Australia, will all be playing for Italian clubs once the World Cup is finished and others from the southern hemisphere are also likely to go to Italy.

IN BRIEF

Scare for Seles

MEDICAL documents that *could explain* Monica Seles's late withdrawal from the Federation Cup and save her eligibility for the 1992 Olympics are being examined by the International Tennis Federation (ITF).

There was confusion earlier when Ian Barnes, an ITF spokesman, said the Yugoslav had missed Monday's deadline. The doctor's report had not been received in time. Later, Brian Tobin, ITF president, had the certificate. It was handed to him during the Cup tournament in Nottingham on July 26 but his travel schedule led to a mix-up.

RUGBY LEAGUE: Mal Meninga will not be joining St Helens, after all. Canberra Raiders have put enough money together to persuade the Australian captain to stay with them.

☐ Ian Marlow, a Hull second-row forward, whose mother is Welsh, has been added to the Welsh squad to meet Papua-New Guinea at Swansea on October 27.

***SNOOKER:** Alex Higgins* reached the fourth round of the £200,000 Dubai Classic at Stoke through a walk-over. Mark Johnston-Allen, of Bristol, misunderstood the match timings.

SPORTS POLITICS: South Africa's application for membership of the African Hockey Federation will be considered by the council in Cairo next month. Officials said it was certain to be accepted.

☐ Nico Viljoen, a South African who won the Arctic Canoe Race in Finland last weekend, faces a ban, possibly for life, for breaking the sports moratorium, Transvaal officials said.

CYCLING: A week before the world championships, France's track team lost its bikes when a squad lorry was stolen in Bordeaux.

BOXING: Mickey Duff's National Promotions and the closed-circuit company, Satellite Express, have bought exclusive rights to the Mike Tyson versus Evander Holyfield contest in Las Vegas on November 8.

CYCLING

Lonesome trail exposes Young

By PETER BRYAN

CHRIS Young, the only unsponsored rider in the Kellogg's Tour of Britain, won the praise and the prizes in yesterday's opening stage for a brave attempt to take on his 95 rivals which at one point put him 14 minutes ahead.

The Keighley professional, a member of the GB composite team, who is still looking for backing, rode for 95 miles in a lone bid for victory on the 135 miles Windsor to Birmingham run to the cheers of spectators packed along the route's towns.

Perhaps his exposure to the television cameras for four hours will produce some material form of consolation for the inevitable: he was caught four miles after Stratford-upon-Avon by a group of ten, kept with them for a few miles, was dropped, absorbed by the main field, dropped again, and finished 86th in a group of 24, 15min 24sec behind the stage winner, Phil Anderson, of Australia.

But Young shared the prize-winner's dais with Anderson, having in his long escape won all the intermediate hill primes and sprints.

His ambition, he said, had always been to win a Kellogg's jersey. He knew he had won the climbing award but had not been aware that the sprinter's jersey was also his.

The group which put an end to Young's effort had formed during the 40mph descent of Dover's Hill, around 91 miles, led by Anderson riding his third Kellogg's race.

The Australian, who won the tenth stage of the recent Tour de France, said before the start at Windsor that his legs still ached from that and also Sunday's World Cup at Brighton. Today, he wears the yellow jersey of race leader which he says he will defend.

The final ninety minutes of racing, all under police escort, rarely dropped below 40mph, too fast for any late breakaways. Anderson, who said he did not notice the kilometre-to-go flag, worked his way to the front of the leading group when he thought the finish line in the city centre was close.

His fierce sprint took him clear to a one second lead from Rudy Verdonck (Belgium) and Jens Heppner (Netherlands). Sitting comfortably in the group was the 1989 winner, Robert Millar, later to learn that he had gained more than three minutes over the 1990 winner, Michel Dernies (Belgium).

RESULTS: First stage (Windsor to Birmingham, 135.5 miles): 1, P Anderson (Aus, Motorola), 5hr 30min 28sec; 2, R Verdonk (Bel, Weinmann), at 1sec; 3, J Heppner (Ger, Panasonic); 4, A Peiper (Aus, Tulip Computers); 5, H Imboden (Switz, Helvetia); 6, R Holden (GB, Banana-Falcon), all same time. Team: 1, Panasonic-Sportlife, 16hr 34min 38sec; 2, Motorola, 16:37:39; 3, Tulip Computers, 16:37:51. Sprints classification: 1, C Young (GB, British professionals), 10pts; 2, Heppner, 5; 3, E Bouwmans (Neth, Panasonic). 4. Mountains classification: 1, Young, 18; 2, Imboden, 9; 3, Bouwmans, 7.
TODAY: Second stage (Coventry to Lincoln, 119 miles): Start: Broadgate 10am, Ashby Magna 11.15, Loughborough 12.15, Clinton House 13.02, Newark on Trent 14.00, Lincoln (first passage) 14.41, finish 15.28.

SWIMMING

Britain loses meeting

GERMANY will host the first European sprint championships at Gelsenkirchen from December 6 to 8, after Britain failed to guarantee television coverage for the event that was due to be staged at Gateshead (Craig Lord writes).

The original venue in Yugoslavia was dropped with the advent of hostilities. Gateshead was second choice, but the BBC, which holds a contract with the Amateur Swimming Association to cover key events, told the governing body that it had not enough time to include the meeting on its schedule.

FOOTBALL

Gascoigne to play this season

PAUL Gascoigne, whose £5.5 million transfer to Lazio next May has been agreed, will play for Tottenham Hotspur this season if he recovers from the serious knee injury he sustained in the FA Cup final against Nottingham Forest.

Confirming this yesterday at a press conference for Saturday's Tennants Charity Shield game against Arsenal at Wembley, Peter Shreeves, the Tottenham team manager, said that Gascoigne would have to pass an independent medical examination before becoming a Lazio player.

Shreeves said there might be news before the weekend that Paul Stewart was staying with the club.

Shreeves also confirmed that Tottenham, having lost out to Manchester United on the near £2 million transfer of Paul Parker from Queen's Park Rangers and been rejected by Chelsea for Gordon Durie, were *hoping* to strengthen their side with a quality player of that calibre. "If there is an addition it gives me an extra outlet and option," he said.

Kenny Sansom, Trevor Peake and Lloyd McGrath have been transfer-listed by Coventry City and fined two weeks' wages as punishment for last week's alleged drinking session in Scotland. The three were immediately ordered home by the Coventry manager, Terry Butcher for breaching club rules less than 48 hours before a match.

The Middlesbrough midfield player, Trevor Putney, is set to join Watford — but the Watford midfield player, Willie Falconer, has been refused permission to go to Ayresome Park for a week's trial before a decision on his future.

Mark Ward and Alan Harper have left Manchester City and rejoined former boss Howard Kendall at Everton. Kendall, who brought both men to Manchester City in his short spell at Maine Road, has agreed a combined fee of £1.3million.

FOR THE RECORD

BASEBALL

NATIONAL LEAGUE: Cincinnati Reds 10, Los Angeles Dodgers 6; Atlanta Braves 5, San Francisco Giants 2; Chicago Cubs 7, New York Mets 2; Houston Astros 2, San Diego Padres 1 (12 innings).
AMERICAN LEAGUE: Milwaukee Brewers 6, Baltimore Orioles 5; New York Yankees 7, Detroit Tigers 5; Kansas City Royals 5, Boston Red Sox 3; Cleveland Indians 9, Texas Rangers 0; *Oakland A's 3, Seattle Mariners 0; Minnesota* Twins 7, California Angels 4

CRICKET

MINOR COUNTIES CHAMPIONSHIP: Marlborough College: Wiltshire 230-3 dec (P A Bell 77, D R Turner 59 not out) and 273-6 dec (L K Smith 114); Wales 220-8 dec (J Bishop 56, R Moore 54, S G Watkins 43; A Webb 4-72) and 195 (Watkins 61; G Sheppard 6-67, Webb 4-67). Wiltshire won by 88 runs. Gateshead Fell: Northumberland 159 (J Wood 4-32, P Henderson 4-34) and 201 (S Dunsford 57; M P Briers 5-71); Durham 338-9 dec (Briers 90) and 24-0. Durham won by 10 wkts. Bedford: Bedfordshire 219-6 dec (K Gentle 67) and 287-1 dec (R Swann 130 not out, M R Gouldstone 73, N G Folland 50 not out); Lincolnshire 221-4 dec (D B Storer 95) and 179-7. Match drawn. Exmouth: Cornwall 201-5 dec (S Hooper 52, E Nicholson 80) and 257-7 dec (R T Walton 105, Nicholson 93); Devon 227-4 dec (J H Edwards 92 not out, S M Willis 58) and 232-2 *(N A Folland 67, A J Pugh 98 not out). Devon won* by 8 wkts. Lakenham: Norfolk 223-5 dec (S G Plumb 50) and 25-2; Staffordshire 174-9 dec (R Kingshott 5-78). Potters Bar: Hertfordshire 237-6 dec (M James 65, B J Evans 65) and 258-3 dec (N R C MacLaurin 89 not out, M James 54); Cambridgeshire 194-8 dec (N T Gadsby 90 not out) and 251-7 (Gadsby 131). Match drawn. Slough: Cheshire 228-2 dec and 198-6 dec; Buckinghamshire 152-8 dec and 275 for 3 (B S Percy 123, A R Harwood 73). Bucks won by 7 wkts.
RAPID CRICKETLINE SECOND XI CHAMPIONSHIP: Chelmsford: Lancashire 349-3 dec (S P Titchard 83 not out, T M Orrell 81, J E R Gallian 81, T E Jesty 79). Essex 30-0. Taunton: Somerset 251-8 dec (R C Williams 4-68); Gloucestershire 13-3. Southgate: Nottinghamshire 284 (G F Archer 93 not out, D J R Martindale 58; S P Hughes 5-48); Middlesex 16-3. Headingley: Sussex 194-3 (K Greenfield 81 not out) v Yorkshire. Southampton: Hampshire 205 *(S D Udal 84 not out; M A Ealham 4-49);* Kent 14-0. Ammanford: Glamorgan v Northamptonshire, no play rain.
NATIONAL VILLAGE CHAMPIONSHIP: Quarter-finals: Methley 220-6, Colwall 223-8; Sheriff Hutton Bridge 142-8, Harome 144-7; Stock 178-6, Clinton 150
NCA OVER-50 COUNTY CHAMPIONSHIP: Oxfordshire 244-2 (R Winstone 119 not out), Herefordshire 107.

SNOOKER

DUBAI CLASSIC: First round: D Martin (Eng) bt W Rendle (Eng), 5-4; D Grimwood (Eng) bt F Davis (Eng), 5-0; S Judd (Eng) bt G Cripsey (Eng), 5-0; J Swail (N Ire) bt J Fitzmaurice (Eng), 5-0; P Houlihan (Eng) bt C Brooks (Eng), 5-2; D McDonnell (Eng) bt D Sheehan (Ire), 5-3; E Manning (Eng) bt G Scott (Eng), 5-1; J Ferguson (Eng) bt T Shaw (Eng), 5-2; B Demarco (Scot) bt *G Fiskin (Eng), 5-4. Second round: S Murphy* (Ire) bt Martin, 5-0; D Finbow (Eng) bt J Smith (Eng), 5-0; T Murphy bt J O'Boye (Eng), 5-0; D Taylor (Eng) bt E Lawlor (Eng), 5-0; O King (Eng) bt J Wright (Eng), 5-2; A Hicks (Eng) bt D Campbell (Scot), 5-3; A Higgins (N Ire) bt W Oliver (Eng), 5-4; S Judd (Eng) bt B Pinches (Eng), 5-1; G Natale (Can) bt B Demarco (Scot), 5-1; N Price (Eng) bt J Swail (N Ire), 5-2; B Rowswell (Eng) bt F O'Brien (Ire), 5-4; J Whittaker (Eng) bt E Manning (Eng), 5-3; M Morra (Can) bt P Houlihan (Eng), 5-1; B Harris (Eng) bt D McDonnell (Eng), 5-4; J Ferguson (Eng) bt R Bales (Eng), 5-2; M Gauvreau (Can) bt D Grimwood (Eng), 5-1; A Higgins (N Ire) wo M Johnston-Allen (Eng), scr

GLIDING

UVALDE, Texas: World championships: Seventh day (provisional): Initial: Open (633km, no completions of 24): 1, K Holighaus (Ger), Nimbus *4, 574km, 1,000pts; 2, I Renner (Aus),* Nimbus 3, 398.8, 695; 3, G Kurstjens (Neth), Nimbus 3, 398.1, 673. British: equal 18, R May, Ash 25. 15 metre (5½ hrs POST, 33 finishers of 44): 1, T Rubaj (Pol), Ventus, 147.4kph, 726.5km, 956pts; 2, D Jacobs (US), LS6B, 134.7, 702.7, 898; 3, B Edwards (Aus), LS6B, 137.4, 698.2, 896. British: 8, J Wills, LS6, 139.4, 635, 869; 10, C Garton, 134.7, 635, 854; 21, M Wells, LS6C, 127.8, 586.7, 799. Standard (581km, 3 completions of 44): 1, I Gapanovich (USSR), Discus, 120kph, 1,000pts; 2, C-O Ottosson (Swe), ASW24, 119.9, 999; 3, B Selen (Neth), Discus, 117.1, 996. British: 20, D Watt, ASW24, 553, 913; 34, A Davis, Discus, 529, 869. Cumulative standings (provisional): Open (seven days) 1, Holighaus, 6,667pts; 2, H Bach (Ger), Nimbus 3, 6,412; 3, G Lherm (Fr), Nimbus 4, 6,371. 15 metre: 1, R Prat (Fr), LS6C, 6,654pts; 2, G Gerbaud (Fr), LS6C, 6,610; 3, D Jacobs (US), LS6B, 6,644. British: 5, Wills, 6,395; 9, Garton, 6,269; 18, Wells, 6,174. Standard: 1, J Aboulin (Fr), ASW24, 6,651; 2, Selen, 6,617; 3, T Badum (Switz), ASW24, 6,576. British: 11, Davis, 6,337; 18, Watt, 6,234
HUSBANDS BOSWORTH: European women's championship: First day (provisional, 218km, quadrilateral, no completions): 15 metre: 1, P Hawkins (GB), LS6B, 189.5km, 693pts; 2, G Spreckley (GB), LS6C, 186.9, 687; 3, G Weinreich (Ger), LS6, 181.7km. Other British: 5, J Nash, Ventus, 164.8, 608; 9, L Norman, DG-200, 139, 511. Standard: equal 1, A Chrzaszcz (Pol), SZD-55, L Kuthenova (Cz), Discus, B Demczenko-Grzelak (Pol), SZD-55, 173.6km, 618pts. British: 11, K Hodgson Pegasus, 146.3, 521; 16, J Burry, DG300, 127.8, 455.
BICESTER: Inter-services championship: Overall standings (*confirmed after fourth day*): Class A: 1, G Lee, 3,843pts; 2, B Logan, 3,084; 3, B Sharman, 3,036. Class B: 1, N Weir, 2,932; 2, E Wright, 2,699; 3, P McLean, 2,686. Class C: 1, A Somerville, 2,725; 2, M Heneghan, 2,670; 3, G Bennett, 2,405.

TENNIS

TORONTO: Canadian women's open: First round: R Rajchrtova (Cz) bt E Pfaff (Ger), 6-2, 7-5; R Alter (Can) bt A Kijimuta (Japan), 1-6, 7-6, 6-1; K Date (Japan) bt S Jeyaseelan (Can), 6-0, 6-2; M Strandlund (Swe) bt J Durie (GB), 3-6, 6-2, 6-2; M Endo (Japan) bt B Cordwell (NZ), 6-3, 4-6, 6-3; P Thoren (Fin) bt S Loosemore (GB), 6-2, 6-3; J Emmons (US) bt K Piccolini (It), 1-6, 6-2, 6-3; S Farina (It) bt M Lindstrom (Swe), 6-4, 4-6, 6-3; L Gildemeister (Peru) bt A Henricksson (US), 7-5, 5-7, 6-4; N Provis (Aus) bt M Drake (Can), 6-1, 6-0; S Gomer (GB) bt S Italiano (Can), 6-3, 6-2; M *Werdel (US) bt A Keller (US),* 6-2, 6-7, 7-6; R Kiraio (Japan) bt S Amiach (Fr), 7-5, 6-3; A Minter (Aus) bt R Baranski (US), 7-5, 7-5; E de Lone (US) bt H Nagano (Japan), 6-4, 6-7, 6-0; H Kelesi (Can) bt M Bernard (Can), 6-3, 4-6, 6-3; D Graham (US) bt E Smylie (Aus), 6-0, 6-1; L Savchenko (USSR) bt C Kohde-Kilsch (Ger), 4-6, 6-4, 7-6

PAN AMERICAN GAMES

In Cuba

ATHLETICS: Men: 100m: R Da Silva (Br), 10.32sec. 400m: R Hernandez (Cuba), 44.52. 1,500m: J Valente (Br), 3min 42.90sec. 3,000m steeplechase: A Domingues (Br), 8:36.01. Long jump: J Jefferson (Cuba), 8.26m. Javelin: R Gonzalez (Cuba), 79.12m (record). Women: 100m: L Allen (Cuba), 11.39sec. 400m: A Quirot (Cuba), 49.61. High jump: I Quintero (Cuba), 1.88m.
BASEBALL: Aruba 6, Antilles 4. United States 8, Dominican Republic 1. Nicaragua 5, Puerto Rico 4; Cuba 22, Mexico 0
BASKETBALL: Men: United States 91, Venezuela 66, Brazil 85, Canada 55. Women: United States 97, Argentina 40; Brazil 74, Canada 66
FENCING: Men: Individual Foil: G Betancourt (Cuba) bt E Gregory (Can), 2-1
FOOTBALL: United States 1 Surinam 0; Honduras 3, Canada 1.
GYMNASTICS: Men: Team: 1, Cuba, 580.55pts; 2, United States, 575.45; 3, Mexico, 572.45
HANDBALL: Brazil 31, Canada 18. Cuba 35, Argentina 12.
HOCKEY: Men: Cuba 6, Jamaica 1, Canada 9, Barbados 0; Argentina 5, Chile 2, Trinidad 1, Guyana 0
SOFTBALL: Men: Antilles 4, Aruba 3, Canada 6, Bahamas 1, United States 6, Argentina 1, Mexico 5, Panama 0. Women: Canada 4, Antilles 1, Bahamas 12, Nicaragua 8, Cuba 10, Venezuela 1
WEIGHTLIFTING: 52kg: Snatch: H Fuentes (Ven), 105.0kg. Clean and Jerk: H Arzola (Cuba), 130.0kg. Total: Arzola, 235.0. 56kg: Snatch: W Vargas (Cuba), 122.5kg. Clean and Jerk: Vargas, 319. Total: Vargas, 588.5

Bugno: leads rankings

CYCLING

WORLD RANKINGS: 1, G Bugno (It), 1,857pts; 2, C Chiappucci (It), 1,584; 3, M Indurain (Sp), 1,553; 4, C Mottet (Fr), 1,113; 5, M Lejarreta (Sp), 1,110; 6, F Chioccioli (It), 970; 7, T Rominger (Switz), 913; 8, R Sorensen (Den), 907; 9, M Mauri (Sp), 852; 10, E Breukink (Neth), 843
SPAIN: Tour of Burgos: Fourth stage (189km): 1, S Joho (Switz), 4hr 37min 32sec; 2, J Ignacio Cano (Sp), same time; 3, R Dekker (Bel), at 5sec; 4, R Pagnin (It); 5, A Sarlov (USSR), both same time. Overall: 1, G Bugno (It), 18hr 00min 35sec; 2, P Delgado (Sp), at 24sec; 3, M Farfan (Col), 37; 4, A Fuerte (Sp), 46; 5, F Mauleon (Sp), 1.05.

FIXTURES

BOWLS: English women's national championships (Leamington Spa). Open Tournament (Bournemouth). County matches: Essex v Essex Hospital (at Dovercourt); Hertfordshire v Kent (at Bishops Stortford), Surrey v Bedfordshire (at Norbury Natwest)
CYCLING: Kellogg's Tour of Britain (Coventry to Lincoln).
EQUESTRIANISM: Dublin Horse Show
FOOTBALL: Pre-season matches: Aldershot v QPR; Dorchester v Brighton (7.45); Farnborough v Southampton; Fulham v Portsmouth; Gillingham v West Ham (7.45); Kilkenny City v Birmingham; Limerick v Sunderland (7.0); Southampton v Real Sociedad; Stockport v Manchester City; Watford v Arsenal (7.45)
GOLF: British Seniors' championship (Prestwick)
POLO: National 16-goal championship (Cirencester Park)
SNOOKER: Rothmans grand prix (Stoke)
SPEEDWAY: Phonesport Second division cup: Semi-final, second leg: Long Eaton v Arena Essex (7.30). Powerscreen Scottish Cup: Second leg: Glasgow v Edinburgh (7.30).
SWIMMING: ASA national age-group championships (Coventry)
YACHTING: Admiral's Cup (Solent); Cowes Week (Cowes)

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Club surprised at response to 'aggression'

Umpires criticise Lancashire's field behaviour

By Richard Streeton

CONCERN at the declining standards of behaviour in the English game was fuelled yesterday when it emerged that Lancashire's conduct was criticised in the umpires' reports after a recent cricket match at Uxbridge. It is believed to be unprecedented for a team, as opposed to an indivdual, to be the subject of condemnation by umpires.

Though Lancashire have not yet heard officially from the Test and County Cricket Board (TCCB). the club is bracing itself for the third time in recent weeks to investigate allegations about the behaviour of its players on the field.

The TCCB confirmed that Lancashire were criticised in a "general comment" in the umpires' reports after they played Middlesex at Uxbridge on July 19, 20 and 22.

The umpires were Ray Tolchard, who is in his first season on the first-class list, and Chris Balderstone. Umpires' reports are confidential, but, contrary to some versions of the criticisms, it is understood that no specific incident nor any individual cricketer was mentioned by the two officials.

The TCCB, which at present is particularly on its guard about the game's image, has sent a copy of the umpires' report to Lancashire, who have not yet received it. Bob Bennett, the Lancashire chairman, and newly appointed manager of England's World Cup squad this winter, said the committee would deal with the report when it was received.

Mr Bennett said at Lytham St Annes, where Lancashire are playing Northamptonshire: "I am not aware of any umpires' reports having been made to Lord's regarding our team's performances.

"I am amazed to hear the allegations made. We expect the team to play in an aggressive manner but always within the laws and in the true spirit and traditions of the game. The committee are determined that the game's standards will be maintained."

Lancashire's response will be discussed at the TCCB's disciplinary sub-committee next week should it be received in time. One Middlesex player told friends privately this week that Lancashire's behaviour at Uxbridge had been "more akin to a football team . . . forever complaining and niggling about appeals and decisions".

David Hughes, the Lancashire captain, and Alan Ormrod, the team manager, were angry and surprised when asked to comment yesterday. Both stressed that the umpires had not said anything at the time, as would usually happen should they intend to report critically.

Hughes said: "I was absolutely shocked when I heard that a complaint had been made in this way. The umpires never made any complaint to me during the game and in fact we showed restraint about some poor decisions."

Ormrod conceded that Lancashire were a competitive side: "There is always pressure on us to bring back trophies to Old Trafford."

He added: "I have seen all our games and I never saw any obvious signs of visual dissent directed against the umpires at Uxbridge."

Hughes: angry

The first inquiry into Lancashire players' behaviour this season came after the Benson and Hedges semi-final tie with Yorkshire on June 12.

Two plauers were strongly criticised by Geoffrey Boycott and Bob Willis, the SkyB television commentators, for their reactions to umpires' decisions: Fairbrother when he was given out and Allott when an appeal at slip for a catch from Moxon off DeFreitas's bowling was disallowed.

Lancashire's cricket committee viewed video replays during a four-and-a-half-hour investigation and decided no action was necessary.

In Lancashire's next championship game after Uxbridge, against Warwickshire at Old Trafford, Wasim Akram was fined £1,000 by the county for using bad language after the umpires removed him from the attack for intimidatory bowling.

As a matter of procedure, Wasim's offence would have been reported to the TCCB, but Lancashire's prompt handling of the matter almost certainly pre-empted any steps by the board.

The TCCB has tightened several regulations in recent years to try and ensure that standards in cricket are maintained, including imposing restrictions on committee members and officials similar to those on players.

This week a unique step was taken when Chris Middleton, the Derbyshire chairman and a solicitor, was fined £750 for making allegedly derogatory remarks about Micky Stewart, the England manager. For a separate offence, Nigel Bett, the Sussex secretary has recently been reprimanded and his club cautioned about the future conduct of its officials.

Caught on the hop: Crawley, the England Under-19 captain, struggles to pull the ball towards the boundary at Lord's yesterday

Australia shatter hopes of a brave new world

By Simon Wilde

LORD'S (England Under-19 won toss): Australia Under-19 beat England Under-19 by nine runs

IF TED Dexter was at Lord's yesterday hoping to get an encouraging glimpse of England's future prosperity, he must have been disappointed. What the chairman of selectors saw resembled not so much a brave new world as a tawdry old one; an England side that came second in batting, bowling and fielding.

England did not fail to demonstrate in this first under-19 one day international that they possess promising young talent; it is simply that Australia harnessed theirs so much better. From the time that John Crawley put Australia in and Blewett and Hayne rattled up 61 in 12 overs, England were always chasing their tails.

Greg Hayne was the rock on which Australia built their formidable total of 283 for 5. He batted throughout their 55 overs for 112 and took advantage of a short Tavern boundary to hit four sixes and four fours.

In the twelfth over of England's innings, and with Loye already gone, a bad misunderstanding between Crawley and Warren left the latter run out by half the length of the pitch and the team drifting downstream.

England's best cricket was however yet to come. First Crawley and Smith in a partnership of 45 in ten overs, and then Crawley and Lathwell, in one of 52 of ten, produced strokeplay to match anything Australia had offered.

Off the last the ten overs, 104 runs were wanted but some fierce hitting by Weston, Irani and finally Shaw and Bainbridge took England within nine runs of Australia.

SCOREBOARD FROM LORD'S

AUSTRALIA UNDER–21

G Blewett c Bainbridge b Irani	24
G Hayne not out	112
*D Martyn st Shaw b Smith	37
K Roberts b Smith	18
†A Gilchrist b Broadhurst	65
M Fraser run out	0
C Linhart not out	0
Extras (lb 15, w 12)	27
Total (5 wkts, 55 overs)	283

G Barr, M Kasprowicz, S Cook and D Castle did not bat.

FALL OF WICKETS: 1-61, 2-127, 3-158, 4-274, 5-275.

BOWLING: Broadhurst 11-0-65-1; Irani 9-0-43-1; Welch 10-0-51-0; Bainbridge 11-1-40-0; Smith 11-0-37-2; Lathwell 3-0-12-0; Fraser 7-0-46-0.

ENGLAND UNDER-19

R Warren run out	5
M Loye c Gilchrist b Cook	3
*J Crawley b Blewett	89
B Smith c Roberts b Castle	23
M Lathwell b Castle	26
W Weston c Roberts b Cook	44
R Irani st Gilchrist b Blewett	34
G Welch run out	0
A Shaw b Kasprowicz	22
M Bainbridge not out	17
M Broadhurst not out	1
Extras (lb 5, w 2 nb 3)	10
Total (9 wkts, 55 overs)	274

FALL OF WICKETS: 1-6, 2-28, 3-73, 4-125, 5-169, 6-227, 7-228, 8-235, 9-273.

BOWLING: Kasprowicz 6-0-27-1; Cook 9-2-58-2; Barr 11-1-54-0; Castle 11-0-42-2; Blewett 11-0-42-2.

Umpires: H D Bird and N T Plews.

Warwickshire's back-up men take centre stage

By Ivo Tennant

EDGBASTON (first day of three; Warwickshire won toss): Warwickshire, with nine first-innings wickets in hand, are 171 runs behind Surrey

THE county championship leaders are in clover again. Back on the square they know best, after their heavy defeat at Worcester, Warwickshire added to their stockpile of bonus points by bowling out Surrey for 206. They did so, what was more, without Allan Donald.

Their leading bowler has back trouble. He had not missed a championship match hitherto, so here was just the opportunity for Warwickshire to show they can fare without him. They did just that, Reeve and Munton taking seven wickets between them.

It must be said, though, that the pitch was an ally. The English seamer was better suited to it than the genuinely fast overseas bowler, even though there was nothing to match Waqar Younis's yorker. Ratcliffe discovered this when Warwickshire batted, as many others have before him.

Should Warwickshire win this match, Surrey's two matches in hand will count for nothing. They had the misfortune to lose the toss on an overcast morning and to find Warwickshire's attack was anything but chastened by Moody's double-century at Worcester. Benjamin, playing his first championship match *for a year, took the new ball* and bowled well enough to show that Donald was not missed. There can be no greater commendation.

By lunch, Surrey had lost their first four batsmen for 50. Two of these, Lynch and Ward, went to Reeve, whose accuracy was amply shown. Anyone not bowled was leg-before. Munton took one straightforward catch at second slip to remove Darren Bicknell off Small and a sharper one in the afternoon to account for Martin Bicknell, another who was returning to first-class cricket. Greig, Surrey's captain, was obdurate for a while before Munton had him leg-before with one that cut back.

Warwickshire gradually worked their way through Surrey's batting to the point that, at 118 for seven, they were looking to have a first-innings lead by the close. What happened was that Feltham made his highest score of the season, an opportune innings if there ever was one. Surrey's last three wickets added 68 runs.

Feltham's contribution was an unbeaten 69, including 11 fours that were remarkably cleanly struck in the context of the innings. There was useful support from Waqar, who made 22, before Reeve took his fourth wicket by spread-eagling Murphy's stumps. England's loss is decidedly Warwickshire's gain.

SCOREBOARD

SURREY: First Innings

D J Bicknell b Munton b Small	18
R I Alikhan c Piper b Munton	9
M A Lynch lbw b Reeve	10
D M Ward lbw b Reeve	11
G P Thorpe lbw b Reeve	6
*I A Greig lbw b Munton	22
M A Feltham not out	69
†N F Sargeant c Reeve b Munton	7
M P Bicknell c Munton b Benjamin	11
Waqar Younis b Benjamin	22
A J Murphy b Reeve	0
Extras (b 1, lb 11, w 1, nb 8)	21
Total (83 overs)	206

FALL OF WICKETS: 1-27, 2-33, 3-49, 4-50, 5-78, 6-110, 7-118, 8-146, 9-186.

BOWLING: Small 14-4-38-1; Benjamin 22-3-62-2; Munton 18-6-40-3; Reeve 28-9-54-4.

WARWICKSHIRE: First Innings

A J Moles not out	17
J D Ratcliffe b Waqar	1
*T A Lloyd not out	15
Extras (w 1, nb 1)	2
Total (1 wkt, 16 overs)	35

D P Ostler, D A Reeve, Asif Din, N M K Smith, †K J Piper, G C Small, J E Benjamin and T A Munton to bat.

FALL OF WICKET: 1-3.

Bonus points: Warwickshire 4, Surrey 2.

Umpires: B Dudleston and R C Tolchard.

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Lewis comes out into marketplace

CHRIS Lewis has turned down the offer of a new three-year contract with Leicestershire and will leave Grace Road next month (Alan Lee writes). Having revived his England career and his marketability with a vibrant all-round performance in the Edgbaston Test match, the 23-year-old from Guyana will attract widespread interest but, as expected, Worcestershire have been first to declare their hand.

Ian Botham's imminent departure for Durham has created a convenient vacancy at Worcester and the club's cricket chairman, Mike Jones, said yesterday: "We will show a very keen interest if Lewis is available. We have three or four top quality bowlers who are all getting older and we must look to the future."

Surrey, without Waqar Younis next season, are also sure to be attracted. Wherever Lewis decides to go his departure is yet another setback for the county he joined as a teenager. In the past three years, Leicestershire have lost two England players in Phillip DeFreitas and David Gower. The exit of their one remaining Test player is a savage blow for the side which seems destined to finish with the championship wooden spoon.

Lewis told the county that he wanted the opportunity to win some county honours. Plainly, he did not think that likely at Grace Road.

Nottinghamshire in strong position

NOTTINGHAMSHIRE, one of the few teams with a realistic chance of catching Warwickshire as the race for the Britannic Assurance county championship gathers momentum, played themselves into a strong position at Eastbourne yesterday by scoring 356 for four on the opening day of the match with Sussex (Geoffrey Wheeler writes).

This formidable total was built round an innings of 158 from Chris Broad. His fourth championship century of the season came from 185 balls and included 11 fours.

Broad had been in for nearly six hours when he was caught at short mid-wicket off the bowling of the Australian, Tony Dodemaide. His main helper was his captain, Tim Robinson, who made 95 of a second-wicket partnership of 192 in 60 overs before his stumps were shattered by Adrian Jones just before tea.

Broad, the former England opening batsman, then consolidated Nottinghamshire's position in stands of 43, with Randall, and 52, with Johnson.

Nottinghamshire will be pressing for their sixth victory of the season before the important game with Essex which begins on Friday. They began the day 53 points behind Warwickshire but have two games in hand and will play five of their last seven games at Trent Bridge.

Cup study may let in South Africa

MELBOURNE (Reuter) — The organisers of next year's cricket World Cup contradicted the sport's international ruling body yesterday by saying it would still be possible for South Africa to take part in the competition.

"The World Cup committee has been carrying out a study on the possibility of South Africa competing," Malcolm Gray, the organising committee chairman, said. "That study has shown administratively, logistically and financially it is possible to be part of the World Cup as a ninth team . . . It is up to South Africa to make an application to play, and as yet they haven't."

The move by the hosts, Australia and New Zealand, to include South Africa next February and March, follows a statement last month by Colin Cowdrey, the International Cricket Council (ICC) chairman, that the republic would not take part.

Cowdrey, speaking after the ICC voted to let South Africa back into the world cricket fold, said the ICC would have to reject a cup application because it would involve a "very, very complicated change of programme".

Ali Bacher, who heads the newly formed United Cricket Board of South Africa, has said that South Africa might ask the ICC to reconsider its decision.

League bows to the inevitable

By Peter Ball

THE proposal for the Football League to preserve its 93-club structure by becoming a subsidiary of the Football Association will still be up for discussion when the breakaway Premier League clubs meet at Lancaster Gate today. But although still a runner, it is now limping rather than racing towards the tape.

Yesterday's meeting of the second division clubs at Leicester gave their approval for league representatives to discuss the proposal with the FA as one of three options. Another, which has a strong body of support, would be for the Football League to remain independent with its remaining 72 clubs, and a third, supported by a small minority, would see the league totally submerged in the FA.

Of greatest significance, however, was the other decision of the second division to set up a joint negotiating committee with the associate members to meet the Premier League clubs. The committee "will pursue negotiations with the Premier League clubs on all the issues which would need to be resolved between the two leagues", Arthur Sandford, the league's chief executive, said.

Such issues include commercial contracts, players' contracts, promotion and relegation, the football in the community scheme, compensation to the league clubs who would be deserted, and even the possibility of the football league staff providing an administration service to the new league. All those issues would need resolving in the event of a separation, and a decision to talk to the Premier Leaguers is tantamount to an acceptance that the breakaway is now inevitable.

"The decision is based on the assumption that it is going to happen and we might as well face that," Sandford conceded. It was welcomed in the same light by Rick Parry, the spokesman of the first division clubs, who said: "We can start looking sensibly to the future. It means there is no more confrontation."

The decision to abandon next week's extraordinary general meeting, which would have considered Sandford's proposals for keeping the breakaway clubs within a loose football league structure, is further recognition that the game is up.

The second division representatives, who have been meeting the first division already, George Forbes (Newcastle United), Leslie Kew (Bristol City) and John Dennis (Barnsley), will now constitute the negotiating team along with the league's executive officers, Sandford, David Dent, the secretary, and Trevor Phillips.

It still looks as if the only serious resistance will come from the Professional Footballers' Association. "There are no white flags being run up here," Gordon Taylor, the PFA chief executive, warned. He conceded that there was a growing feeling among the second division that the breakaway was inevitable, but said: "I am not convinced that the first division really have got their act together totally." The players have played significant roles on previous occasions, and there is no doubt that they can do so again.

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Ball takes Exeter job

THE former England midfield player, Alan Ball, yesterday took over as manager at the third division club, Exeter City, after Terry Cooper's surprise resignation.

Ball, a former manager of Stoke City, Portsmouth and Blackpool, held his first training session at Exeter yesterday and described the appointment as "brilliant". The former 1966 World Cup player said: "For the first time in 30 years, it looked as though I was going to be out of football at the start of the season.

"But I got a call on Friday lunchtime asking me to come to the club. I jumped in my car and was here in a flash. I had signed the papers within 20 minutes of arriving.

"I was wanted. They didn't even advertise for the job — it's a great feeling to be wanted by someone."

Ball was handed the job when Cooper resigned after a series of boardroom disputes.

Stewart not swung by Nicklaus

From Mitchell Platts
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PAYNE Stewart has landed in dangerous territory in American golf circles by insisting that Jack Nicklaus should not be in their Ryder Cup team, which will be finalised after the US PGA Championship, beginning on the Crooked Stick course here tomorrow.

Stewart, the US Open champion, questioned whether Nicklaus, arguably the greatest golfer in the history of the game, could, at the age of 51, handle the physical exertion of playing 36 holes in one day. Dave Stockton, the US Ryder Cup captain, has already emphasised that experience will be a key factor when he picks the two players to blend with the ten who automatically qualify.

Stewart said: "I wouldn't pick Jack. Intimidation is the major reason why you would pick him, but I don't think that applies any more in golf.

"Jack would only be good for one match a day. What if they needed him to play 36 holes? I don't know if he's capable of that. I don't want to sound like I'm anti-Nicklaus, but Dave Stockton has to have it in his mind that some people are going to have to go 36 holes."

Nicklaus has already answered Stewart's criticism with his clubs, rather than words. Nine days ago, he won the US Seniors Open in an 18-hole play-off by scoring five birdies in the first nine holes on the way to a 65. He has also won The Tradition and the PGA Seniors Championship this year.

Nicklaus, who has a stroke average of 71.74 on the regular Tour this year, was tied for the lead after seven holes of the third round of the Masters at Augusta but faded to finish 35th. He was 46th in the US Open and 43rd in the Open and his best finish in seven regular Tour events is fifth in the Doral Open.

Stewart: against selection

Mark Calcavecchia, the former Open champion who is hoping to secure an automatic place this week, said earlier in the year that if Nicklaus was in the team then he would tell Stockton not to pair them together. "Our games wouldn't be suited," he said.

Nicklaus declined to comment on Stewart's statement but he did insist that Stockton should go for experience. "But I would have to put Raymond Floyd, Tom Watson, Tom Kite and Curtis Strange ahead of me," he said.

The problem for Stockton is that Kite is the only one among those five who can automatically qualify. If Kite fails then he and Watson are the most likely players to be selected, although how other contenders, such as Chip Beck and Davis Love III, play this week could sway Stockton, who names his team next Tuesday, at the eleventh hour.

Fred Couples, Payne Stewart, Lanny Wadkins, Hale Irwin, Paul Azinger and Corey Pavin have secured their places. Azinger is playing this week for the first time since he underwent an operation on his shoulder in June.

Meanwhile, Sandy Lyle, one of nine Europeans in the field, will need an exceptional performance if he is to become one of Bernard Gallacher's picks.

Torrential rain closed the Crooked Stick course yesterday morning, although it was later opened for practice. Ian Woosnam, the Masters champion, Severiano Ballesteros, Bernhard Langer, David Feherty, Steven Richardson, Sam Torrance and José-Maria Olazábal are the other Europeans competing.

US RYDER CUP STANDINGS: 1, F Couples, 721.250 points; 2, P Stewart, 546.250; 3, L Wadkins: 525.199; 4, H Irwin, 517.500; 5, P Azinger, 501.250; 6, C Pavin, 498.00; 7, M O'Meara, 425.417; equal 8, M Calcavecchia and W Levi, 407.500; 10, T Simpson, 392.250; 11, S Pate, 388.750; 12, T Kite, 357.143; 13, C Beck, 339.843; 14, G Morgan, 313.750; 15, S Hoch, 313.084; 16, D Love III, 291.250; 17, M Brooks, 290.00; 18, B Tway, 267.084; 19, J Cook, 280.953; 20, L Mize, 244.428. (The top six have secured their places. There are 14 players competing this week for the four remaining automatic places. Dave Stockton, the captain, will choose the other two).

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